

Parish Meeting Prayer

For use in September, 2017

Introduction

Leader St. Paul knew that in life and in death he belonged to Christ. We, too, can reject living only for ourselves and choose to live as Jesus' disciples.

Opening Prayer

All Loving God, through Baptism we were joined to Christ Jesus, destined to live not for ourselves, but for him. Grace us with renewed dedication to this bond. "Whether we live or die, we are the Lord's." We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Word of God Romans 14:7-9

Reader A reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans (*The reading is on the reverse side.*
Pause for silent reflection.)

Optional Discuss these questions in two's or three's.
1. How does your baptism link you to living as Christ's disciple?
2. How would you explain infant baptism to someone? What is the role of parents and the church community?

Response (Taken from Romans 14:7-9)

Side 1 "None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself."

Side 2 Baptized in Christ, may we live His Way, Truth and Life.

Side 1 "If we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord."

Side 2 Like St. Paul, may we live and die as Jesus' disciples.

Side 1 "This is why Christ died and came to life, that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living."

Side 2 May we live resurrected lives with Christ Jesus.

Petitions Individuals add intentions to remember here.

Closing Prayer

All Risen Christ, as your disciples, help us to live dedicated to you, our Way, our Truth and our life. May our example inspire and encourage others. We pray with joy and gratitude in your name. Amen.

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A reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans

Brothers and sisters:

None of us lives for oneself, and no one does for oneself.

For if we live, we live for the Lord,

and if we die, we die for the Lord;

so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's.

For this is why Christ died and came to life,

that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.