

Daily Prayer Guide

WEEK ONE, October 4-10

Call to Prayer:

Lord, your presence fills the vast regions of time and space.

Lord, you dwell in our innermost hearts.

We come into your sanctuary led by faith, not sight.

Guide us as we strive to follow you more closely, serve you more fully.

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.

Hebrews 11:1

Monday, Key Word: **FAITH**

Prayer focus: What is the source of my faith? How can my faith be made stronger? How can I work to strengthen the faith of others?

Tuesday, Key Word: **ASSURANCE**

Prayer focus: On what does my assurance rest? Who in my life has been an inspiring pattern of faith in action? Can my life influence others?

Wednesday, Key Words: **THINGS HOPED FOR**

Prayer focus: What are my hopes for St. John's? How do I want our church community to grow?

Thursday, Key Word: **CONVICTION**

Prayer focus: Conviction is such a strong work. Is my faith this strong? Where do I look for support? Am I a support for others?

Friday, Key Words: **THINGS NOT SEEN**

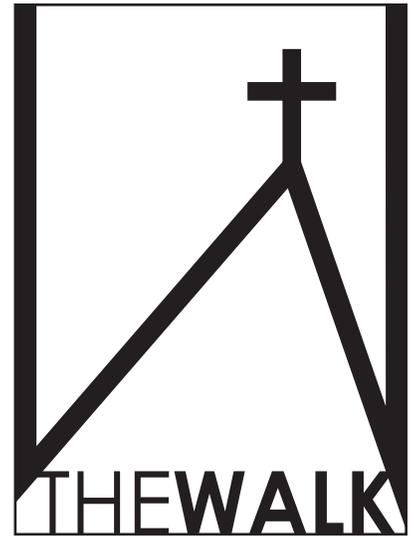
Prayer focus: What do I not see at St. John's that I wish to see here? What can I do to foster this vision?

Saturday, Key Word: **FAITH**

Prayer focus: Where have I seen faith in action this week?

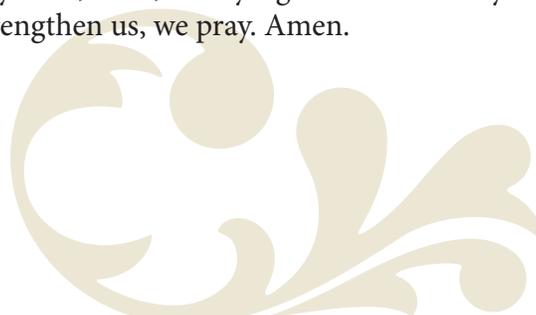
Closing Prayer:

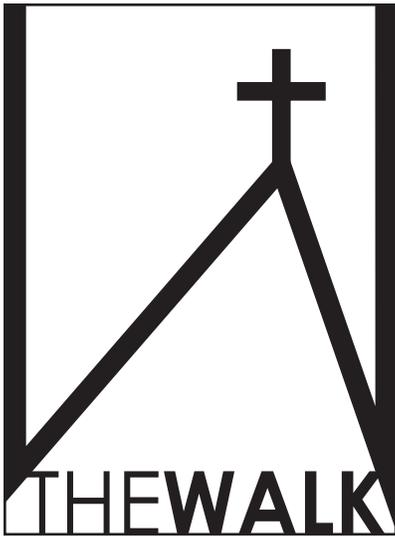
Dear God, it's not easy to go out on a new path, to take risks, to put our convictions on the line. St. John's is about to begin a bold new venture of increased service and love in our community. We cannot see now where this new venture will lead us. But we walk by faith, Lord, not by sight. You are always at our side, Lord, our shield and support. Continue to guide and strengthen us, we pray. Amen.



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Over the next four weeks we invite you to join us in an intentional journey of prayer and discernment as we participate in **The Walk**. During the course of The Walk, we are challenging each other to “walk by faith and not by sight,” and one of the postures of the faithful is the posture of prayer.

Each week, there will be a daily prayer guide for you to follow. We invite you to enter into the practice of daily prayer with companionship: perhaps your family, a close friend or a small group of friends.

- Each day, begin with the Call to Prayer.
- Read the Scripture verse for the week.
- Spend a few moments meditating on the Key Word and Prayer Focus.
- Pray the Closing Prayer.
- Remember to leave room for silence and listening for the voice of God.

Helpful Hints

- There is no wrong way to pray! You may feel comfortable praying out loud with others, praying in silence or by writing your prayers in a journal.
- No amount of time is too short or too long. Take the amount of time that works and feels comfortable for you.
- The Daily Prayer Guide can be accessed at any time on the website www.stjohnsbr.org/the-walk-prayer-guide.

As we join together in this journey, there are opportunities to share how God is speaking to you during your time of prayer. You may share your prayers by emailing thewalk@stjohnsbr.org or by placing them in the prayer box located in the back of the sanctuary.

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