## Wittenberg 2017

John 17:13-19

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Leader: We have come together from different Christian traditions to pray ...

All: ... to the Father, through the Son, in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Leader: Almighty Father, whose blessed Son before his passion prayed for his disciples that they might be one, as you and he are one:

All: Grant that your Church, being bound together in love and obedience to you, may be united in one body by the one Spirit, that the world may believe in him whom you have sent, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord;

Leader: who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

- Anglican Book of Common Prayer

All (except small children) keep silence before the Lord, contemplating this theme

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Leader: Let us pray:

All: Holy Father, protect us from the evil one by the power of Your name.

All follow the direction of the Musician

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Leader: We are praying from the gospel of John:

Leader: I am coming to you now, but I say these things while I am still in the world, so that they may have the full measure of my joy within them.

All: I have given them your word and the world has hated them, for they are not of the world any more than I am of the world. My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one. They are not of the world, even as I am not of it. Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth.

Leader: As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world. For them I sanctify myself, that they too may be truly sanctified.

- John 17:13-19 (NIV)

Leader: (Agnus Dei, sung - see separate music sheet)

All follow the direction of the Prayer Leader

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Leader: The Spirit and the Bride say,

All: "Come!"

Leader: Even so, Lord Jesus, come quickly.

All: Holy Father, protect us from the evil one by the power of Your name.





Leader: Let us pray:

Leader: O God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our only Savior, the Prince of Peace:

All: Give us grace seriously to lay to heart the great dangers we are in by our unhappy divisions; take away all hatred and prejudice, and whatever else may hinder us from godly union and concord;

Leader: that, as there is but one Body and one Spirit, one hope of our calling, one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism, one God and Father of us all,

All: so we may be all of one heart and of one soul, united in one holy bond of truth and peace, of faith and charity, and may with one mind and one mouth glorify you, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

- Anglican Book of Common Prayer

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Leader:	We have come together from different (	Christian traditions t	o pray			
	to the Father, through the Son, in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.					
AII:	Father of lights, in whom there is no shadow or change, there is so much deception and propagar surrounding the whole topic of Israel. Be pleased to reveal truth and cast down lies and deception wherever they are found, burning through the fog and bringing clarity to the complex situations is region, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.					
				- Dr. Richard Harvey		
	All (except small children	n) keep silence before the	Lord, contemplating this theme			
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	Let us proclaim together: His purpose was to create in himself	one new humanity	y out of the two.			
	All follow the direction of the Musician					
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	We are praying from the apostle Paul's letter to the church in Ephesus:  For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, by setting aside in his flesh the law with its commands and regulations.					
Leader:	His purpose was to create in himself one new humanity out of the two, thus making peace, and in one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility.					
<i>All:</i>	All: He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near. I him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit.					
	This we both have access to the Tath	er by one opine.	-	Ephesians 2:14-18 (NIV)		
Leader:	(Agnus Dei, sung - see separate music sl	heet)				
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Leader: <b>All:</b>	The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come!"					
	Even so, Lord Jesus, come quickly.					
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All follow the direction of the Prayer Leader & Musician

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Leader: Let us pray:

Leader: O Almighty God, who didst send thy Son Jesus Christ to break down every middle wall of partition, and who didst create in him one new man by reconciling all men to thyself in one body through the cross:

All: Hear us, we beseech thee, who maintain old walls, and build new ones, so separating ourselves one from the other and bringing the cross to open shame. Remove far from us, we pray thee, all false pride and worldly ambition, that being kindly affectioned one toward another, and in honor preferring one another, we may worship thee in spirit and in truth, one people of God; to the glory of thy holy name. Amen.

- United Methodist Book of Worship

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Leader: We have come together from different Christian traditions to pray ...

All: ... to the Father, through the Son, in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

All: O Lord and Master of my life!

Take from me the spirit of sloth, faint-heartedness, lust of power, and idle talk.

Leader: But give rather the spirit of chastity,

humility, patience, and love to Thy servant.

All: Yea, O Lord and King!

Grant me to see my own errors and not to judge my brother; For Thou art blessed unto ages of ages.

- St. Ephrem the Syrian

All (except small children) keep silence before the Lord, contemplating this theme

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Leader: Let us remember the word of the Lord:

All: Do everything you can to protect and maintain the unity of the Holy Spirit.

All follow the direction of the Musician

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Leader: We are praying from the apostle Paul's letter to the church in Ephesus:

Leader: As a prisoner in Rome for serving the Lord, I encourage you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received from God

All: Live a life of humility and gentleness with patience, bearing with one another in love.

Leader: Do everything you can to protect and maintain the unity of the Holy Spirit in the relational bond of peace, which holds us together.

All: There is one body and one Spirit, just as there is one hope to which God has called us.

Leader: There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all!

- Ephesians 4:1-6 (IEB)

Leader: (Agnus Dei, sung - see separate music sheet)

All follow the direction of the Prayer Leader

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Leader: The Spirit and the Bride say,

**All:** "Come!"

Leader: Even so, Lord Jesus, come quickly.

**All:** Do everything you can to protect and maintain the unity of the Holy Spirit.

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Leader: Let us pray:

Leader: King of Glory, come and finish Your work in our cities, our peoples and our nations. We lift our voices in unison with believers from the Middle East and Europe, from North and South America, and from Australia and the Pacific Islands - together we cry:

All: "Lift up your heads, O you gates! Be lifted up ancient doors so that the King of Glory may come in!"

Leader: As Your deeds increase throughout the earth, and as Your blessings abound to all the nations, they will seek You, asking:

All: "Who is this King of glory?"

Leader: Together we will answer:

All: "He is the Lord Almighty! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!"

Leader: Come fill the earth with Your glory as the waters cover the sea. The Spirit and the Bride say:

All: "Amen! Come Lord Jesus!"

- Global Day of Prayer 2009

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Leader: We have come together from different Christian traditions to pray ...

All: ... to the Father, through the Son, in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Leader: Herr unser Gott, barmherziger Vater, am Abend vor seinem Leiden hat dein Sohn, unser Herr Jesus Christus, darum gebetet, dass die Gläubigen in ihm eins seien, damit die Welt glaubt.

All: O Lord our God, our merciful father,
On the evening before his suffering your son,
Our saviour Jesus Christ prayed
That believers in him would be one
So that the world would believe.
But often we have not conformed to his will,
But have fostered opposition to each other
And caused division, have harboured contempt for each other,

Leader: Doch wir haben seinem Willen oft nicht entsprochen, haben Gegensätze geschaffen und Spaltung verursacht, haben einander misachtet, verurteilt und bekämpft.

Im Zugehen auf das Jahr 2017 wird uns neu bewusst, dass wir umkehren und um Vergebung bitten müssen für die Verfehlungen in Geschichte und Gegenwart.

Judged and fought against one another.

All: So rufen wir inständig den Erbarmen an und bitten dich um ein reumütiges Herz für uns und für all Christen.

Schenke uns die Gnade, dass wir uns in dir und untereinander aussöhnen und vereint in einem Leib und in einem Geist die Freude der vollen Gemeinschaft wieder erleben. Darum bitten wir durch Christus unseren Herrn, Amen

Leader: So we urgently cry out for your mercy and plead with you, Send us, and all Christians, a heart of remorse and repentance. Send us the grace we need to reconcile with each other And, unified in body and spirit, once again Experience the joy of complete fellowship. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.

- Ottmaring Prayer for the 500th Anniversary in 2017

All (except small children) keep silence before the Lord, contemplating this theme

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*Leader:* Let us remember the word of the Lord:

**All:** I pray that all of them may be one, Father.

All follow the direction of the Musician

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Leader: We are praying from the gospel of John:

Leader: My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me.

All: I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one -- I in them and you in me -- so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.

- John 17:20-23 (NIV)

Leader: (Agnus Dei, sung - see separate music sheet)

All follow the direction of the Prayer Leader

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Leader: The Spirit and the Bride say,

**All:** "Come!"

Leader: Even so, Lord Jesus, come quickly.

**All:** I pray that all of them may be one, Father.

All follow the direction of the Prayer Leader & Musician

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Leader: Let us pray:

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ, you prayed:

"May they all be one, as you, Father, are in me, and I in you.

May they be one, so that the world might believe."

All: Wir bitten dich um die Einheit deines Leibes Christi in dir:

dem Gott Abrahams, Isaaks und Jakobs.

Zerbrich, was zwischen uns steht.

Stärke, was uns eint.

Überwinde, was uns trennt.

Erfülle uns mit der Kraft deines Geistes,

dass wir Wege zueinander suchen.

Führe den Tag herauf,

an dem wir dich preisen können

in der Gemeinschaft aller Gläubigen.

All: We pray that the body of Christ might be united in you, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

Break down what stands between us.

Strengthen what unites us.

Give victory over what separates us.

Fill us with the power of your Spirit, that we might seek ways to unite with each other.

Bring about the day when we can praise you together, in the fellowship of all who believe.

Amen.

- Wittenberg 2017 Prayer for The 500 Days