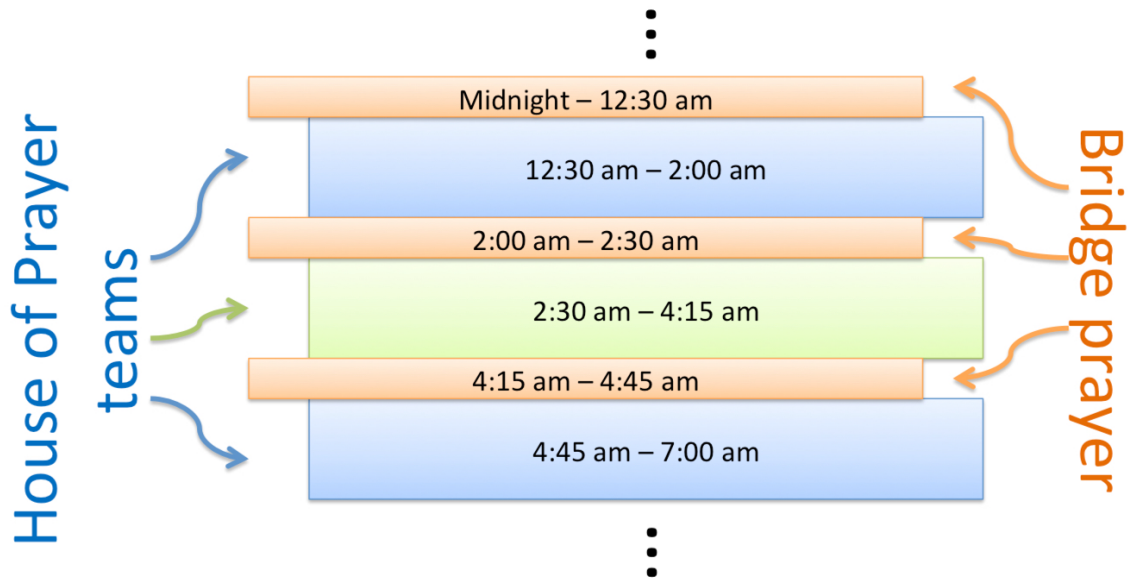


Bridge Prayer Training Handout



Basic Structure

Every Bridge Prayer is focused on a single passage of scripture, & includes:

- Praise & Worship
- Prayer & Intercession
- Free Ministry / Prayer / Praise

Team / Roles

- Bellringer
- Music Leader
- Prayer Leader
- Participants

Detailed Structure

See page that shows an example Bridge Prayer with each part numbered ...

1. Trinitarian Declaration
2. Opening Collect
3. Silence
4. Scriptural Antiphon
- 5. Free Praise & Worship**
6. Scripture
7. Responsorial
- 8. Free Prayer & Intercession**
9. Maranatha with Antiphon
- 10. Free Ministry / Prayer / Praise**
11. Closing Collect
12. Trinitarian Seal & Amen

Prayer Leader – Ideas for Leading Free Prayer & Intercession

We have found the grid below helpful as a starting point. Don't feel limited by what is in the grid ... hear the Holy Spirit! But if you find yourself at a loss, just pick one from each of the columns and you can't go wrong 😊

Pick any one from each of the columns		
Who? ↓	How? ↓	What? ↓
“Everyone in the room”	“One at a time, where you are”	“Pray on the theme from what we have just read (<i>give more specific direction if you want to</i>)”
Call out specific group, e.g. “men” or “young people”	“Lift your voices to pray all at the same time”	“Pray for (<i>specific people / churches / streams / nations / needs / etc.</i>)”
Call out specific individuals, e.g. “Amy, I know this theme is on your heart”	“In small groups of 2 or 3”	“Pray for whatever is on your heart”
<i>Etc.</i>	“Let’s go around the room one at a time”	“Silently contemplate the Scripture and listen to the Holy Spirit”
<i>Etc.</i>	<i>Etc.</i>	<i>Etc.</i>

For example, you might say, “I’d like the women in the room to, one at a time, pray for and bless Israel.”

See 1st page of handout for what each numbered section corresponds to ...

Day & time	Season or event	Scripture
Vespers (Day 2)	Wittenberg 2017	John 17:24-26
🔔 6:00 pm 🔔 ← Bell		
<p>(1) <i>Leader:</i> We unite our voices from different streams of the body of Christ to pray as one ... <i>All:</i> ... to the Father, through the Son, in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.</p> <p>(2) <i>Leader:</i> 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: <i>All:</i> "Lift up your heads, O you gates! Be lifted up ancient doors so that the King of Glory may come in!" <i>Leader:</i> As Your deeds increase throughout the earth, and as Your blessings abound to all the nations, they will seek You, asking: <i>All:</i> "Who is this King of glory?" <i>Leader:</i> Together we will answer: <i>All:</i> "He is the Lord Almighty! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!" <i>Leader:</i> Come fill the earth with Your glory as the waters cover the sea. The Spirit and the Bride say: <i>All:</i> "Amen! Come Lord Jesus!" <i>- Global Day of Prayer 2009</i></p> <p>(3) <i>All (except small children) keep silence before the Lord, contemplating this theme</i></p>		
🔔 6:05 pm 🔔 ← Bell		
<p>(4) <i>Leader:</i> Let us remember the words of the Lord: <i>All:</i> Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, and to see my glory.</p> <p>(5) <i>All follow the direction of the Musician</i></p>		
🔔 6:10 pm 🔔 ← Bell		
<p>(6) <i>Leader:</i> We are praying from the gospel of John: <i>All:</i> "Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, and to see my glory, the glory you have given me because you loved me before the creation of the world." <i>Leader:</i> Righteous Father, though the world does not know you, I know you, and they know that you have sent me. I have made you known to them, and will continue to make you known in order that the love you have for me may be in them and that I myself may be in them." <i>- John 17:24-26 (NIV)</i></p> <p>(7) <i>Leader:</i> Blessed Father, make us one, even as you and your Son are one. You have given us the glory that you gave your Son, that we may be richly, fully, one.</p> <p>(8) <i>All follow the direction of the Prayer Leader</i></p>		
🔔 6:20 pm 🔔 ← Bell		
<p>(9) <i>Leader:</i> The Spirit and the Bride say, <i>All:</i> "Come!" <i>Leader:</i> Even so, Lord Jesus, come quickly. <i>All:</i> Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, and to see my glory.</p>		

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Vespers
(Day 2)

Wittenberg 2017


John 17:24-26

(10) *All follow the direction of the Prayer Leader & Musician*

(11)

Leader: Let us pray:

All: Oh gracious light,
Pure brightness of the everliving Father in Heaven.
Oh Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!
Now as we come to the setting of the sun
And our eyes behold the vesper light,
We hymn Your praise, Oh God - Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Meet it is at all times that You should be praised by happy voices,
Oh Son of God, Oh giver of life,
And to be glorified throughout the earth.

 6:30 pm



Bell

(12)

All: In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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