

# CAMPUS & COMMUNITY PRAYER

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Oh Lord, open our lips.

**And we shall declare your praise.**

*(Psalm 51:15)*

Do you not know? Have you not heard?

The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom.

He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak.

Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall;  
but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength.

They will soar on wings like eagles;

they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

*(Isaiah 40:28-31)*

## OPENING PRAYER

Oh God our King, by the resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, you conquered sin, put death to flight, and gave us the hope of everlasting life. Redeem all our days by this victory; forgive our sins, banish our fears, make us bold to praise you and to do your will; and steel us to wait for the confirmation of your kingdom on the last great Day, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*(ACNA BCP 2019)*

PSALM OR SCRIPTURE *(see other side)*

## SILENT REFLECTION

## PRAYERS FOR OUR CAMPUS AND COMMUNITY

Almighty God, you have promised through your Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will grant their requests: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

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*For the campus of Virginia Tech, its faculty, staff, administrators, and leaders:*

*For the students, for their spiritual awakening, intellectual growth, and personal wellbeing:*

*For the unity and flourishing of campus ministries and local churches in the Blacksburg area:*

*For those who are poor, sick, in prison, or the victims of violence or oppression:*

*For violent conflicts and war in parts of the world:*

## CLOSING PRAYER

Oh God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your Son to preach peace to those who are far off into those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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PSALM 119:105-112

Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path.  
I have taken an oath and confirmed it, that I will follow your righteous laws.  
I have suffered much; preserve my life, LORD, according to your word.  
**Accept, LORD, the willing praise of my mouth, and teach me your laws.**

Though I constantly take my life in my hands, I will not forget your law.  
The wicked have set a snare for me, but I have not strayed from your precepts.  
Your statutes are my heritage forever; they are the joy of my heart.  
**My heart is set on keeping your decrees to the very end.**

PSALM 121:1-8

I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come?  
My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.  
He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.  
**Behold, he who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.**

The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade on your right hand.  
The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.  
The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.  
The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in,  
**from this time forth and forevermore.**

PSALM 124:1-8

If it had not been the LORD who was on our side — let Israel now say —  
if it had not been the LORD who was on our side when people rose up against us,  
then they would have swallowed us up alive, when their anger was kindled against us;  
then the flood would have swept us away, the torrent would have gone over us;  
then over us would have gone the raging waters.  
**Blessed be the LORD, who has not given us as prey to their teeth!**

We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowlers;  
the snare is broken, and we have escaped!  
**Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.**

PSALM 126:1-7

When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.  
Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy;  
then they said among the nations,  
**“The LORD has done great things for them.”**

The LORD has done great things for us; we are glad.  
Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like streams in the Negeb!  
Those who sow in tears shall reap with shouts of joy!  
He who goes out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing,  
shall come home with shouts of joy, bringing his sheaves with him.  
**“The LORD has done great things for them.”**