

Friday

“So humble yourselves before God.... Come close to God, and God will come close to you.” – James 4:7

Reflection

1. Read that verse again and ask God to speak to you. What message does He have for you?

2. Pray that we, as a church, will humble ourselves before God so He will draw close to us.

Saturday

“They entered into a covenant to seek the Lord, the God of their ancestors, with all their heart and soul.” – 2 Chronicles 15:12

Reflection

1. What would it look like for you to seek God with all your heart and soul?

2. Let’s join together in agreeing to keep our focus on God. Pray that we will have a desire to pursue God whole-heartedly.

Prayer Points

Paul encourages us to “work hard to show the results of your salvation, obeying God with deep reverence and fear. For God is working in you, giving you the desire and the power to do what pleases him” (Philippians 2:12-13). We must come before God regularly to confess our sins and ask Him to show us where we need to change. As we do this, God will transform us more and more into the people (and the Church) He created us to be.

- Leadership
- Children’s Ministries
- Student Ministries
- Adult Ministries
- Mission & Outreach
- Community Care & Counseling
- Worship & Creative Arts
- Support Ministries

Personal Prayer Notes

Do you have any personal prayer requests? Do you want to thank God for something specific He is doing in your life? Use the space below to record these things. Be sure to review them later to see how God responds.



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Whole Hearted

Jeremiah 29:13



*Seeking the will of God for
our church and community*

Week Five: Surrender

warsaw**community**church

Surrender: Confession, Forgiveness, & Covenant

Nehemiah 9-10

Our prayer is for God to reveal His desires about how we can grow together with our community. If you would like to share what God has been revealing to you, follow these simple steps:

1. Record your thoughts in our online prayer journal at wccconnect.com
 2. Record your thoughts in the printed prayer journal and drop it in the offering basket or at the info center.
- You may download a pdf from wccconnect.com to print a second copy to record your thoughts on and turn back in.
- We will select some thoughts to share for reflection online, however these will be displayed anonymously.

“...the people assembled again, and this time they fasted and dressed in burlap and sprinkled dust on their heads. Those of Israelite descent separated themselves from all foreigners as they confessed their own sins and the sins of their ancestors. They remained standing in place for three hours while the Book of the Law of their Lord was read aloud to them. Then for three more hours they confessed their sins and worshiped the Lord their God.” – Nehemiah 9:1-3

As the crowd gathered, there was seriousness in the air. They had been gathering regularly to hear what God had asked them to do, to listen to the guidelines He had laid out for them.

So why did they go without food and dress differently? As an act of reverence and confession. They had been reminded of all He had done for them – offering protection, providing food, and guiding them to the land where they were currently standing.

Their perspective had changed. They realized their sin, and they desired to get things right with God. So they confessed all the wrong they had done.

We have the same need. As we come before a holy God, we need to ask for God’s forgiveness on a regular basis. Much like a human friendship, when we offend or hurt someone, it impacts our ability to move forward in the relationship. God is ready and more than willing to forgive us if we will humble ourselves and confess the sin He reveals to us.

Monday

“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.” – 1 John 1:9

Reflection

1. Do you have any sin to confess to God? If so, tell Him. Ask God to forgive you and help you move forward.
2. We desire to be a church that honors God, doing what He wants us to do. Ask God to show us what His will is.

Tuesday

“How can I know all the sins lurking in my heart? Cleanse me from these hidden faults. Keep your servant from deliberate sins!” – Psalm 19:12-13a

Reflection

1. We all have blind spots in our lives. Ask God to reveal any hidden sin you may have.
2. In our eagerness to serve God, we often run ahead of Him and do things He hasn’t asked us to do. Pray that we will wait upon God’s direction and respond in obedience.

Wednesday

“If you, Lord, kept a record of sins, Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, so that we can, with reverence, serve you.” – Psalm 130:3-4 TNIV

Reflection

1. Spend some time telling God in your own words how grateful you are for His grace and forgiveness.
2. God has extended this same grace and forgiveness to WCC. Ask Him how He wants us to serve Him.

Thursday

“Jesus understands every weakness of ours... So whenever we are in need, we should come bravely before the throne of our merciful God. There we will be treated with undeserved kindness, and we will find help.” – Hebrews 4:15-16 CEV

Reflection

1. What “weakness” do you need Christ’s help with?
2. Ask God for His insight and wisdom, that we may keep the proper focus on Him and not get distracted.
