

JOURNEY WITH JESUS

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— Luke 24:45

SUNDAY, JUNE 8, 2025 - DAY 36

Clothed with Power

Suggested Bible Reading:

(Korean) 요한복음 14:26

그러나 보호자, 곧 아버지께서 내 이름으로 보내실 성령께서 너희에게 모든 것을 가르쳐
주시고 내가 너희에게 말한 모든 것을 생각나게 하실 것이다.

John 14:26

"The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach
you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you."

기도 (Prayer)

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주님

우리가 2025년 총회로 함께 모일 때에 주님 앞에 감사한 마음들과 주님의 인도와 지혜를
구하게 하옵소서.

구하옵기는 주님의 거룩하신 성령을 모든 참여하는 자들 가운데 충만하게 하사 우리로
명확함과 하나됨을 분별하게 하옵소서. 우리에게 은혜를 허락하라 서로에게 열린 마음들로
듣게하시고, 사랑과 진리로 말하게 하소서.

이번 총회가 새롭게 되는 총회가 되게 하시고 서로 화합하여 거룩한 교제가 이루지는
자리가 되게 하소서.

우리 주 예수 그리스도의 이름으로 기도합니다.

아멘

Prayer

By Kyung Ho Park, the lead pastor at Yeolin CRC in Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Lord,

When we will gather for Synod 2025, we will come before you with grateful hearts, seeking your guidance and wisdom.

We ask that you send your Holy Spirit to be with each participant, that we may discern your will with clarity and unity. Grant us the grace to listen to one another with open hearts, and to speak with truth and love.


May this synod be a time of renewal, where we are drawn closer to you and to one another in fellowship.

We pray in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Questions for Reflection and/or Conversation

- When has the Spirit reminded you of words from Scripture that were relevant to a challenge you were facing?
- When has the Spirit helped to clarify God's will for you in a time of confusion?



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MONDAY, JUNE 9, 2025 - DAY 37

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Suggested Bible Reading: Acts 1:8

"You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

Prayer

By Sora Suh, who has been a member of Grace Community Chapel CRC in Teaneck, New Jersey, for the past 20 years.

Dear Father,

We pray that your power may rest upon our denomination and every church represented by the CRC. We pray that we may stand together united by the power of the Holy Spirit, which binds us together in the love of Christ. By your power, teach us and guide us to become great witnesses of your love all around the world.

We are in desperate need of you, O Holy Spirit, to lead us and direct our steps as we pray this prayer from continents all around the world. We pray that we may be witnesses to the love of Jesus Christ all around the world, so that in the power of your name and in the power of your love the church may conquer all sin and darkness and bring healing, restoration, salvation, and new life to the lost around us.

We thank you for giving the church the power of the Holy Spirit and the power of the name of Jesus Christ. We pray all of this together in the power of the Holy Spirit as one church in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Questions for Reflection and/or Conversation

- Why is it vital that we do the work of the kingdom through the power of the Holy Spirit instead of under our own power?
- Where is God calling you to bring healing, restoration, salvation, and new life to the lost around you?

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TUESDAY, JUNE 10, 2025 - DAY 38

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Suggested Bible Reading:

(Farsi)

۱۴ و ۱۱ تا ای ۱۳ باب نای تن رقی مود
هجو ت میوگی م هچن آ هب . دی شوکب دوخ لمالکت و دشر یارب . ظفاح ادخ ، نم ناردارب یا ، هم تاخ رد
شم ار آ و تببحم ءاشنم هک ادخ و دیرب رس هب افص و حلص رد و دینک ارادم رگی دکی اب : دی یامن
اب سدق لا جور تکر اشم و ادخ تببحم و حیسم یسی ع دنوادخ ضیف.....دوب ده اوخ امش اب ، تس ا
داب امش همه

2 Corinthians 13:11,14

Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice! Strive for full restoration, encourage one another, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you. . . . May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(Prayer)

اعد

ینابش تببق ارم یارب بوصنم شیشک ناو نع هب مرک یلراچ یولیسی ، ادخ تیاده و ضیف هب
دیج نانامی ون و نابزی سراف نایحیسم تمدخ رد یناحور دشر تمدخ اب یزاس درگاش و
یاسیلک رد نابزی سراف تمدخ یربهر هک دراد راخ تفا و اینچمه . تس ا نهج رسارس رد
هتشاد هدهع رب دنز رصان شرسمه هارمه هب ار (Willowdale CRC) لی دولیو یحیسم هدش حالصا
اب تمدخ رد و بلق . دنکی تمدخ زین اسیلک خیشم زا یکی ناو نع هب رضاح لاح رد و دشاب
و مدرک یهارمه ناشن نامی ریسم رد ار ناگدن هانپ و نانامی ون ات تس ا مدنک آ تببحم رد و ینتورف
دیامن تیاده حیسم یسی ع ضیف و دیما هب ار اهن آ

حلص و قیوشت ،تدحو و یاعد
۱۴ و ۱۳:۱۱ نایتنرق مود
،ینامسآ ردپ

!می آی تروضح هب شیاتس و یرازگرکش زا راشرس ییاهبلق اب
قیوشت ار رگیدکی و مینک شالت یتشآ یارب ،میشاب داش هک ینکیم توعد ار ام وت
ار ام ،ادنوادخ .می یامن
انب تبحم رد ار رگیدمه ،میشاب حلص یپ رد ،میروآ لمع هب ار توعد نی زور ره ات نک یرای
رد و مینک
.میرادرب ماگ تدحو
لدکی هک زومایب ام هب ،تسا مهافت عوس و عازن زا رپ بلغا هک ییایند رد ،ینامسآردپ یا
ینتورف .میشاب
یتوافتیب رب ار تبحم و ،تواضق رب ار تقفش ،عازن رب ار حلص و میریذپب ار حیسم
.میهد حیجرت
.مینک سکعنم نامرادرک و راتفگ رد ار وت تبحم ات نک رپ ضیف و ربص زا ار ام یاهلد
و عم اوج ،اهاسیلک ،اهناخ رب ار دوخ شمارآ .میریگیم شمارآ وت روضح یهدعو رد ام ،ادنوادخ
،تسه یگنهامه ان هک ییاج .شخبب افش ،تسه یگتسکش هک ییاج .زاس یراج ام ییاند
اطع یگنهامه
.دشاب ام توق وت یداش ،تسه یدیماان هک ییاج و .نک
،نایاپی تبحم رب یتداهش ام یگدنز ات امرف دحتم نامیا رد ندب کی ناونعهب ار ام
و تمحر ،ییوکی
.دشاب وت ضیف
.نیم ،مینکیم اعد حیسم یسیع مان رد

Prayer

By Sylvie Charliekaram, who serves as a commissioned pastor for pastoral care and discipleship with Spiritual Growth Ministry, supporting Farsi-speaking Christians and new believers globally. She also coleads the Farsi Ministry at Willowdale Christian Reformed Church in Toronto, Ontario, alongside her husband, Nasser Zand, and currently serves as an elder. Her heart is to serve with humility and love, walking alongside Farsi-speaking Christians and new-believer refugees in their faith journey and guiding them into the hope and grace of Jesus Christ.

A Prayer for Unity, Encouragement, and Peace

Heavenly Father,

We come before you with hearts full of gratitude and praise!

You call us to rejoice, to strive for restoration, and to encourage one another.

Lord, help us to live out this calling each day, seeking reconciliation where there is division, lifting each other up in love, and walking together in unity.

Father, in a world so often marked by conflict and misunderstanding, teach us to be of one mind. May we embrace the humility of Christ, choosing peace over strife, compassion over judgment, and love over indifference. Fill our hearts with patience and grace, that we may reflect your love in our words and actions.

Lord, we rest in the promise of your presence. Pour out your peace upon our homes, our churches, our communities, and our world. Where there is brokenness, bring healing. Where there is discord, bring harmony. And where there is despair, let your joy be our strength.

Unite us as one body, bound together in faith, so that our lives may be a testimony of your unfailing love, goodness, mercy and grace.

In Jesus' name, we pray.

Amen.

Questions for Reflection and/or Conversation

- How is God calling me to embrace the humility of Christ?
- What is part of the testimony of God's unfailing love in my life?



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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11, 2025 - DAY 39

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Suggested Bible Reading: Luke 24:13-49

. . . Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. . . .

Prayer

By Sam Huizenga, who serves as the learning program leader for Resonate Global Mission. The learning programs known as Global Coffee Break, Timothy Leadership Training, and Educational Care equip global church leaders. Sam also loves serving in children's ministry, being present in her neighborhood, and biking the White Pine Trail that runs from Comstock Park to Cadillac, Michigan.

Jesus, on the cross, you said, "It is finished." Perhaps these two disciples leaving Jerusalem and walking toward Emmaus had even heard those words. Like us, they couldn't fully grasp all that was accomplished. They were blinded by human expectations and couldn't see your presence and your power.

As we prepare to serve the church, we pray boldly for ourselves, fellow participants, visitors, and the people affected by our decisions:


- Take our downcast and disappointed spirits and allow us to fully see your presence and power.
- Open our eyes to see beyond our limited expectations to the beautiful things you are doing in our lives and churches.
- Open our minds so that we can understand your Word.
- Deepen our experience of the gospel so that it molds every thought, word, and action.
- Send our denomination as your witnesses to our neighbors, communities, and world.
- Do not send us alone, but clothe us "with power from on high."

We pray these things so that your bride—the church—will radiate, “without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but [be] holy and blameless” (Eph. 5:27).

Amen.

Questions for Reflection and/or Conversation

- Do I go to the Bible full of my own assumptions and expectations, or do I go empty, ready to receive whatever Jesus has to show and tell me?
- Are my expectations of Jesus too limited? Am I open to the unexpected things Jesus plans to do in me and in his church?



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THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 2025 - DAY 40

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Suggested Bible Reading: Luke 24:13-49

... Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. He told them, "This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. . . .

Prayer

By Zachary King, a pastor who serves as the general secretary of the CRCNA. He and his family are members of Cascade Fellowship CRC in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Dear Risen Savior:

We praise you for your patience with us, your people.

We doubt like the apostles who dismissed the women's testimony on Easter morning.
We are slow to believe like the Emmaus travelers who journeyed with you side by side.
We are confused like the disciples to whom you appeared in the Jerusalem room.

We praise you for your grace to us, your people.

You have revealed yourself to us through the Law, Prophets, Writings, Gospels, and Epistles.

You have strengthened us through the breaking of the bread and the sharing of the cup.
You have sent us to preach repentance and the forgiveness of sins.

We praise you for your gifts to us, your people.

You have clothed us with power from on high to be your witnesses beginning in Jerusalem.

You have filled us with your Holy Spirit to carry the gospel to the ends of the earth.

Now equip us with faith to overcome doubt.

We've seen the marks on your hands and your feet.

We've seen you ascend in your glory.

Our hearts are burning within us to know you more fully.

Now equip us with love to overcome fear
so that we may worship you continually in your temple
and be your light of revelation to all people.

Now equip us with your Holy Spirit to guide us in this week of discernment
so that we may hear your gentle whisper speaking quietly in our hearts,
that your unsearchable wisdom may be the basis on which we make our decisions
and your church may be built up for the mission to which you have called it.

Questions for reflection and/or conversation:

- In what ways have you seen the Lord's patience and grace in your life?
- When has the Lord equipped you with love to overcome your fears?