Prayer Liturgy Week 27 These liturgies are adapted from Boa's (1993) Handbook to Praver

Adoration

• Read Psalm 113. *Voice a prayer of Adoration to God in response to the psalm.*

Confession

"For a brief moment I forsook you, But with great compassion I will gather you. In a flood of anger I hid • My face from you for a moment, But I will have compassion on you with everlasting kindness," Says the Lord your Redeemer. (Isaiah 54:7–8) Ask the Spirit to search your heart and reveal any areas of unconfessed sin. Acknowledge these to the Lord and thank Him for His forgiveness in Jesus Christ.

Renewal

• May I be careful to lead a blameless life. May I walk in the integrity of my heart in the midst of my house. May I set no wicked thing before my eyes. I hate the work of those who fall away; May it not cling to me. (adapted from Psalm 101:2–3) Voice a prayer for personal renewal

Petition

Pray for your family, your career or studies, and your personal ministry both inside and outside of the church.

Pray for any special concerns that you have.

Intercession

• Pray for missionaries locally, in the US, and around the world. Pray that God would build his church among all peoples, tribes, nations, and languages.

Affirmation

"The wolf will dwell with the lamb, and the leopard will lie down with the goat, and the calf and the lion and the yearling together, and a little child will lead them. The cow will feed with the bear; their young will lie down together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox. The infant will play near the hole of the cobra, and the young child will put his hand into the viper's hole. They will neither harm nor destroy on all My holy mountain, for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. (Isaiah 11:6–9)

Reflect on these Biblical affirmations. Pray for Jesus to return quickly to restore all things.

Thanksgiving

"By grace I have been saved through faith, and this not of myself; it is the gift of God, not of works, so • that no one can boast." (Ephesians 2:8–9) "I am confident of this, that He who began a good work in me will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus." (Philippians 1:6)

Pause to offer your own expressions of thanksgiving.

Communal prayer

"Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds. Your righteousness is like the mountains of God; your judgments are like the great deep; man and beast you save, O Lord. How precious is your steadfast love, O God! The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings. They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights. For with you is the fountain of life; in your light do we see light." (Psalm 36: 5-9)