An Election Day prayer

O Lord, God of every nation, we give you praise for our country, the land that we love and for which we are your stewards. We boldly call our land "one nation under God." O Lord may it be so! May every citizen's heart be turned to you. May our vow be to work and pray for your kingdom to be "on earth as it is in heaven."

We come to you on this Election Day to seek your mind and your will as we prepare to cast our ballots. Guide our minds, guide our hearts and guide our hands as we make decisions about important issues.

We especially ask guidance as we choose a candidate to become president of our blessed land. Keep us from being foolishly prejudiced or biased. May our minds be fair and our decision wise as we weigh the merits of each candidate.

At the end of the day, may we be at peace with one another and vow to work diligently to help our nation truly be united. Amen.

Just one vote...

In 1649 one vote gave Oliver Cromwell control of England. In 1649 one vote caused Charles I of England to be executed. In 1776 one vote gave America the English language instead of German. In 1845 one vote brought Texas into the Union. In 1868 one vote saved President Andrew Johnson from impeachment. In 1876 one vote gave Rutherford B. Hayes the presidency of the United States. In 1876 one vote changed France from a monarchy to a republic. And in 1923 one vote gave Adolf Hitler the leadership of the Nazi party. -The Chamber of Commerce Newsletter, Willard, Ohio I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour; Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; Who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time. Whereunto I am ordained a preacher, and an apostle, (I speak the truth in Christ, and lie not;) a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and verity. I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting.

—I Timothy 2:1-8

A hearty welcome to each of you! It is a genuine joy to have everyone here for worship, for fellowship, for learning more about the Christian way and for preparing for a new week of service. God has been good to us! Let us join together to praise the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The second offering this morning is our monthly Building Repair Fund offering.
- November 4 Election Day. Vote as your conscience directs.
- November 7 Zone Rally at East Worcester
- November 13 7:30 PM Regional Missions Service Conference Missionary Secretary Ken Sickler speaking
- November 23 Special Thanksgiving Service 11:00 AM

Next week we will have three collection boxes in the foyer- one for the items for Samaritan's Child, one for the Missions Christmas Gifts, and one for food for our Haiti churches. We would like to have the contributions for the Christmas Child shoeboxes in by November 16. Tentatively the deadline for the Missionary Christmas Fund contributions and the food for Haiti is November 23. Remember to contribute to these worthy collections.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Remember the 3/3 challenge - Every three hours (at 6-9-12-3-6-9) pray 3 minutes for the national, state, and local elections, as well as the issues facing our country.

- This week remember to pray for our sister church in Haverhill, Massachusetts. The pastor is Kurt Groder.
- Pray for Gary Vosburgh (Missions trip to China) and Chris & Margo.
- Physical Needs -
 - Let's be faithful to pray for Glenn Hockmeyer (new evidence of cancer), Brett, Noreen, Roberta Lepera, Louise, Bill Snyder, Marie Rooney, Dominique, Pastor Dixon, Howard Mickle (and Bonita), Rosemary Snyder, Cathy Posson, Brian Edwards, Roger Ellers, Albert Barr, Noel Scott, Mark Vosburgh, Robert Ford, Lillian Jamison, Jean Ford, Bob Zeh, and Kathy Moltzen.
- Recent requests from our Cobleskill church include Helen, Caroline, Ralph, Kathleen, Bruce, Judy, Sharon, and Genevieve.
- Continue to pray for:
 - Our young people in college:
 - Lyndsay France
 - Seth and Isaac Owens (money for upcoming mission trip)
 - Keith Posson, who has been recalled to active military duty.
 - The village of **Middleburgh**, that we will reach people with hungry hearts and have fruitful results in our ministry.
 - Our service personnel, especially Ryan Mills, Wesley Lum, Jacob Eggleston and Donnie Gray (in Iraq), Anthony & Joyce Willey (Italy), Charles Laraway (Afghanistan), Eric Wells, and Brian Sickler.
 - The upcoming elections; our country, and our President and government leaders, that they may make Godly choices.
- Please let us know of anyone who is ill, facing a time of hospitalization, or would like a home visit.

Suggested Daily Scripture Reading

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
OT	Ezekiel 3:16-6:14	Ezekiel 7:1-9:11	Ezekiel 10:1-11:25	Ezekiel 12:1-14:11
NT	Hebrews 4:1-16	Hebrews 5:1-14	Hebrews 6:1-20	Hebrews 7:1-17
PSA	Psalm 104:24-35	Psalm 105:1-15	Psalm 105:16-36	Psalm 105:37-45
PROV	Proverbs 2	Proverbs 3	Proverbs 4	Proverbs 5
	Thursday Friday		Saturday	
	Ezekiel 14:12-16:41	zekiel 14:12-16:41 Ezekiel 16:42-17:24 Ezekiel 18:1-19:14		1-19:14
	Hebrews 7:18-28 Hebrews 8:1-13 Hebrews 9:1-10		1-10	
Psalm 106:1-12		Psalm 106:13-31	Psalm 106:32-48	
Proverbs 6		Proverbs 7	Proverbs 8	