



Forgive Us As We Forgive Others

Bellflower UMC

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Third Sunday of Lent

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And forgive all our debts

Hallowed-a be Thy name

As we forgive our debtors

Hallowed-a be Thy name (2x)

¹ Cover art: Artist unknown.

<https://www.sapphiregospels.com.ng/2020/07/escaping-trap-of-unforgiveness.html>

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

PSALM

Psalm 103

↑HYMN² 

#3104. Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone

389. Freely, Freely

LORD'S PRAYER³

O God, through Jesus' sacrifice you have restored us as your forgiven children. In his name we pray:

Our Father, who art in heaven,

Help us to know you through your inspired Word and to live by it as children in your family.

Hallowed be thy name.

Give us your Holy Spirit to rule in our hearts, and use us to extend your kingdom of grace to others.

Thy kingdom come.

Make us zealous to carry out your will as gladly as the angels do, and to conform our will to yours.

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Merciful Lord, since you are the provider of all things necessary for our bodies; fill us with trust.

Give us this day our daily bread.

Continue to erase our sins, and help us gladly to forgive and to do good to those who wrong us.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

We know the devil seeks to destroy our souls and the world lures us to ruin by appealing to the desires of our flesh. Guard us from the poison of misbelief and the trap of unrepented sin.

² ↑ == Please stand in body or spirit, as you are able.

³ Author unknown.

<https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2012/01/responsive-lords-prayer.html>

And lead us not into temptation.

Keep safe our bodies and souls, our property and honor,
and above all send the Holy Spirit to preserve our faith
in Christ which leads to life everlasting.

But deliver us from evil.

For all these petitions we look to you as King of Kings
and Lord of your church.

For thine is the kingdom,

You alone hold the power to grant our requests.

and the power,

We worship you from whom all blessings flow.

and the glory forever and ever.

Relying on Jesus, who canceled our sins and made us
acceptable in your sight, we pray with confidence:

Amen.

↑GLORIA 🎵 - #70

↑SCRIPTURE⁴ Matthew 6:9,11,14-15

This is how you should pray.

...

forgive us our sins,
just as we also have forgiven those who sin against us.

...

Forgive other people when they sin against you. If you do,
your Father who is in heaven will also forgive you. But
if you do not forgive the sins of other people, your
Father will not forgive your sins.

↑SCRIPTURE Matthew 18:23-35⁵

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

DISCUSSION

⁴ New International Reader's Version

⁵ Christian Standard Bible

THANKSGIVING & COMMUNION

OFFERING & PEACE

DOXOLOGY - #95 

HOLY COMMUNION

SENDING FORTH

BLESSING

God keep you from doing evil,
Our Lord forgive the evil that you do,
The Holy Spirit give you the power to forgive others.
Go, announce God's kingdom, power and glory.
Amen

POSTLUDE 

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