

Resources for Non-Eucharistic Congregational Worship

In addition to Morning Prayer and the ante-communion Eucharistic prayers of the BCP, these resources are intended to provide some ideas for refreshing worship in these pandemic times when we are not yet returned to sharing Eucharist. This is not an exhaustive list, and your suggested additions are welcome at liturgyandarts@ecww.org.

Daily Prayer for All Seasons (Church Publishing, 2015)

<https://episcopalchurch.org/library/document/daily-prayer-all-seasons>

FREE download

In The Episcopal Church, our *Book of Common Prayer* offers beautiful services for morning, noon, evening, and nighttime in a section called “The Daily Office” (pp. 35-146). *Daily Prayer for All Seasons* offers a variation on that theme, where a complete service covers one or two pages at most thereby eliminating the need to shuffle prayer books and hymnals. *Daily Prayer for All Seasons* works for individuals, small groups, and/or congregations. This prayer book presents a variety of images of God by including inclusive and expansive language for and about God, and it presents a variety of words by including poetry, meditation and prayers from the broader community of faith.

General Convention 2012 approved *Daily Prayer for All Seasons* for use by congregations.

Enriching Our Worship 1 (Church Publishing, 1998)

<https://www.churchpublishing.org/products/enrichingourworship1>

FREE download

This volume includes newer (than 1979) approved materials for Morning and Evening Prayer, as well as Holy Eucharist. New materials include seventeen additional canticles taken from the Old Testament, the Apocrypha, the New Testament, Anselm of Canterbury, and Julian of Norwich.

Enriching Our Worship is approved by General Convention for congregational use.

Morning Prayer: A Simplified Form (ELCA)

<https://www.elca.org/resources/worship#Liturgy>

FREE download

A very simplified version of Morning Prayer. Same format as BCP, with just enough variation in language to feel a little fresher. No option for preaching or offertory included, but could be added.

Although we are in full communion with the ELCA, best practice would be to get episcopal permission to use this form for congregational worship.

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Prayer resources written by those in danger of violence and sudden death: women, people of color, the LGBTQ community, and others who experience oppression.

Many of these resources must be purchased. Please consider financially supporting Black, Indigenous, Asian, Latinx, queer and/or trans creators who have been consistently excluded from (well-funded) white mainline liturgy-writing projects.

The Black Trans Prayer Book

The Black Trans Prayer Book is an interfaith, multi-dimensional, artistic and theological work that collects the stories, poems, prayers, meditation, spells, and incantations of Black Trans & Non-Binary people. Often pushed out of Faith spaces and yet still deeply connected to a historical legacy of spiritual essentiality, Black Trans People face unprecedented amounts of spiritual, physical, and psychological violence. The Black Trans Prayer Book is a tool of healing, and affirmation centered on uplifting Black Trans & Non-Binary people and celebrating our place within faith.

<https://theblacktransprayerbook.org/>

Booklet of Uncommon Prayer

Collects for the Black Lives Matter Movement and beyond.

<https://www.evangelicalsforsocialaction.org/myuncommonprayer/?fbclid=IwAR3ux9sUI2IWdasXjgZrOO9-2WPRTc73M4ruiLJuNIktYJv5P6Vte8T1kM>

Enfleshed

Enfleshed is a community that produces liturgical resources centering a liberationist frame and praxis. They are “bringing what matters to the back to the gospel for justice, liberation, and delight.” They offer a wide variety of liturgical resources, prayers, and sermon starts.

<https://enfleshed.com/pages/liturgy-library>

Disrupt Worship Project

Disrupt offers seasonally changing, social justice oriented Litanies, Confessions, Sermon help and song suggestions for churches using both the Revised Common and Narrative Lectionaries. We are also a resource liturgies for occasions not often found in denominational resources, responses to global and/or national events, and for liturgies written by people across the church just trying to do something different.

<https://www.disruptworshipproject.com/>

An African Prayer Book, compiled by Desmond Tutu

An African Prayer Book is just such an aid, for in this collection all the spiritual riches of the vast and varied continent of Africa are bravely set forth. Here we overhear the simple prayer of the penniless Bushman, the words of some of the greatest Church fathers (Augustine and Athanasius), petitioning and jubilant voices from South Africa’s struggle for freedom, and even prayers from the Africa diasporas of North America and the Caribbean. Here are Jesus’s own encounters with Africa, which provided him refuge at the beginning of his life (from the murderous King Herod) and aid at its end (in the person of Simon of Cyrene, who helped Jesus carry his cross). From thunderous multi-invocation litanies to quiet meditations, here are prayers

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every heart can speak with strength and confidence.

<https://www.penguinrandomhouse.com/books/181251/an-african-prayer-book-by-desmond-tutu/>