



PRAYER SERVICE WEDNESDAY, MAY 6TH, 7PM

Join us on our [Facebook Page](#) at 7:00pm for a Live Video. If you do not have Facebook, you can use this guide to pray with us on your own wherever you are and a recording of the service will be shared later.

- **INTRO**

Tonight, we're reflecting on Joshua 3:1-5, an Old Testament passage that narrates a significant time for the People of God: the Israelites were on the brink of crossing over the River Jordan, marking the end of their 40 years of wilderness-wandering and the beginning of their settlement in the Promised Land. At this moment in the story, they are "in-between"—they are leaving the familiar place in which they had been dwelling, and heading into a place they have not yet been, a place to which God is calling them. This in-between time is filled with unknown, uncertainty, and even fear. But they have a choice: will they follow the presence of God where He leads? Will they trust that the God who once did amazing things in their past was going to do more amazing things in their future? *Or not?* While our circumstances may be quite different, we find ourselves in a similar season of "in-between," with similar choices. Will we follow the Lord as He leads? Will we remember His great faithfulness in the past and trust Him to "do it again?" Let's allow this passage to guide our prayers tonight.

- **CENTERING PRAYER**

First, let's pause to center ourselves on God, praying the powerful words of Psalm 23 together:

Psalm 23:1-4 (NIV)

The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing.

(Pause)

He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he refreshes my soul.

(Pause)

He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake.

(Pause)

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

Pause. Be still. Reflect on God's word and enter a posture of prayer and worship.

- **SCRIPTURE**

Joshua 3:1-5 (NIV)

Early in the morning Joshua and all the Israelites set out from Shittim and went to the Jordan, where they camped before crossing over. After three days the officers went

throughout the camp, giving orders to the people: “When you see the ark of the covenant of the Lord your God, and the Levitical priests carrying it, you are to move out from your positions and follow it. Then you will know which way to go, since you have never been this way before. But keep a distance of about two thousand cubits between you and the ark; do not go near it.” Joshua told the people, “Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow the LORD will do amazing things among you.”

Let's focus on verses 1-3 first:

Joshua 3:1-3 (NIV)

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• **PRAYER**

Let us pray.

Lord, where are you moving right now? Where are you leading us next?

Let us not be stuck in the in-between, let us now slumber in complacency or fear. Awaken us to your glory.

Help us to know your presence. Help us to follow you. Give your people specific direction for our next steps, that we may glorify you.

• **SONG**

“I Will Follow You” **Click Here** - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fWk9I26nX5w>

VERSE 1

All Your ways are good
All Your ways are sure
I will trust in You alone
Higher than my sight
High above my life
I will trust in You alone

CHORUS

Where You go I'll go
Where You stay I'll stay
When You move I'll move
I will follow You
Whom You love I'll love
How You serve I'll serve
If this life I lose

I will follow (You)

VERSE 2

Light into the world
Light into my life
I will live for You alone
You're the One I seek
Knowing I will find
All I need in You alone
In You alone

BRIDGE

In You there's life everlasting
In You there's freedom for my soul
In You there's joy unending joy
And I will follow

- **SCRIPTURE**

Joshua 3:4 (NIV)

“Then you will know which way to go, since you have never been this way before. But keep a distance of about two thousand cubits between you and the ark; do not go near it.”

- **PRAYER**

Lord, we have never been this way before. All of this is new, for all of us. Give us your wisdom, faith, hope, and love in Christ.

Help those who are anxious, help those who are in need, help those who are suffering.

Renew our faith in the greatness of your Name. Help us to hallow your presence, to fear you alone and nothing else.

- **SONG**

“Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus”

Click Here - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YMB-URZMtRQ>

VERSE 1

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus
Just to take Him at His word
Just to rest upon His promise
Just to know thus saith the Lord

CHORUS

Jesus Jesus how I trust Him
How I've proved Him o'er and o'er
Jesus Jesus precious Jesus
O for grace to trust Him more

VERSE 2

O how sweet to trust in Jesus
Just to trust His cleansing blood

Just in simple faith to plunge me
'Neath the healing cleansing flood

VERSE 3

Yes 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus
Just from sin and self to cease
Just from Jesus simply taking
Life and rest and joy and peace

VERSE 4

I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee
Precious Jesus Savior Friend
And I know that Thou art with me
Wilt be with me to the end

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- **SCRIPTURE**

Joshua 3:5 (NIV)

Joshua told the people, “Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow the Lord will do amazing things among you.”

- **PRAYER**

We consecrate ourselves to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We offer all that we are to you as living sacrifices: our hearts, our souls, our minds, our strength.

We rejoice in all that you have already done; great is your faithfulness. Yours is the victory!

We believe that you have greater things in store for this season. We join our hearts with all those who are praying for your miracles. Let your kingdom come, let your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

- **SONG**

“Do it Again” Click Here - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0B_InQIITxU

VERSE 1

Walking around these walls
I thought by now they'd fall
But you have never failed me yet
Waiting for change to come
Knowing the battle's won
For you have never failed me yet

VERSE 2

I know the night won't last
Your word will come to pass
My heart will sing your praise again
Jesus you're still enough
Keep me within your love
My heart will sing your praise again

CHORUS

Your promise still stands
Great is your faithfulness
Faithfulness
I'm still in your hands
This is my confidence
You've never failed me yet

BRIDGE

I've seen you move
You move the mountains
And I believe
I'll see you do it again
You made a way
Where there was no way
And I believe
I'll see you do it again

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- **TRINITY CHURCH PRAYER LIST**

Take time to pray for specific prayer requests from our Trinity prayer list (focus on any that you are drawn to at this time and any others not listed):

Marysue Christian, Brian & Melissa Shoop, Abbey Culver, Jean Hummel, Sue Gearhart, Dick & Emma Jean, Jordan, Sis Beyer, Roger Heintzelman, Carol Christian, Kerry Enright, Rich Deegan, Chrissy Braun & Family, Adam, Tom & Sandy Gross, Babich Family, Douglas Evans, Judy Boyd, Vicki Burlew

- **BLESSING**

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.
(Psalm 23:5-6 NIV)