

Praying in a Time of Conflict

This is by no means an exhaustive list, but we thought it might be helpful to offer the following links to formal prayers and lists of prayer points. For each specific place in conflict, we have tried to find prayers written by people from that place: we will be adding countries over time. Please do let us know of any resources we have missed.

• Remembrance and Peace:

- o CTBI Remembrance Sunday Service
- Anglican Pacifist Fellowship, <u>Remembrance Resources</u>
- Church of England, <u>"Resources available for commemorating the First World War"</u> (includes different types of readings, prayers , hymns, a liturgy, etc)
- Church of Scotland, Weekly reflections Remembrance Sunday (2024)
- Methodist Church in Britain, "Resources for Remembrance Sunday"
- Movement for the Abolition of War, <u>Remembrance for Today</u> (collection of writings)
- o <u>Poems for remembrance</u> from the War Poetry Website
- o "The Christian Soldier," poems by WWI soldiers with a Christian theme
- Remembrance Sunday: The Long Walk, reflection and prayer by URC minister Revd Kevin P Jones (2024)

• Peace and Peacemaking:

- Anglican Alliance Prayer for Peace
- Anglican Peace and Justice Network <u>resources</u> (a wide range from across the Communion, including Melanesia, New Zealand, South Africa, South Sudan, the UK, US, and West Africa)
- Anglican Prayer Book of Aotearoa/New Zealand <u>prayer for peace</u> (scroll down to p.142 short collect)
- Baptist Union's <u>Peacemaking Sunday materials</u> (2014) and <u>prayer for peace</u>
- CAFOD's selection of <u>prayers for peace</u>
- Collection of <u>Prayers for Peace</u> assembled by the Catholic Association for Religious and Family Life Educators of Ontario
- o Prayer recommended by the Catholic Bishops Conference of England and Wales (collect)
- Joint Public Issues Team, <u>Peacemaking resources</u>
- o Mennonite Central Committee: "Restoring what is broken: a worship service"
- Methodist Church in Britain <u>Prayer for peace</u> (collect)
- Prayers gathered by the Orthodox Peace Fellowship
- Pax Christi's <u>Peace Sunday archive</u> a wealth of resources from Peace Sunday services over the years
- Pope Francis' Prayer for peace
- o Quaker materials on peace and nonviolence
- United Church of Canada <u>peace resources</u>
- Materials for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, prepared each year by Christians from a different context (often contain intercessions for peace; some years have peace as a particular focus for all the materials)

For peace in the Middle East

- o Anglican Dean of Jerusalem's <u>prayer for peace in the Middle East</u>
- o Prayers from <u>Bethel Baptist</u> and <u>Jersey Baptist</u> churches
- Prayer points from the Baptist World Alliance
- o CAFOD's <u>prayers for peace in Middle East</u>
- o Christian Aid/Embrace the Middle East's 'Middle East Crisis Resources for a prayer vigil'
- Christine Sine, <u>"Praying for those in Gaza"</u>
- Church of England's <u>Prayer for Peace on anniversary of outbreak of war between Hamas and Israel</u> and Prayers for Peace and Hope
- o Church of Scotland, <u>Prayers for peace in Israel-Palestine</u>
- Churches for Middle East Peace prayer vigil (video)
- Prayers collected by Churches in Ireland
- *Embrace the Middle East, <u>Prayers for peace in the Middle East</u> (wide range of resources)
- Evangelical Alliance's Prayer for Peace in Gaza
- *Friends of the Holy Land, <u>Prayers for peace</u> (collection of prayers from many traditions and places)
- o Revd Dr Munther Isaac, Prayer for Gaza (2022, but still applicable)
- *Jesuit Resource, <u>Prayers for Peace in the Middle East</u> (prayers from a variety of traditions and places)
- o Lutheran World Federation, <u>Prayer for peace</u>
- Methodist Church in Britain, Prayers for IsraelPales-tine, Prayer following Gaza school airstrike
- Sabeel Centre's, weekly Wave of Prayer
- o Sojourners (Rose Marie Berger's) Prayer for Peace in Israel and Palestine
- o Tearfund, How to pray for Gaza and Israel
- O Union for Reform Judaism, May we see the day when war and bloodshed cease prayer for Israel
- o World Communion of Reformed Churches, <u>prayers for Lebanon</u>
- o World Council of Churches, <u>Material for the World Week of Peace in Palestine and Israel 2024</u>

For Ukraine

Association of English Cathedrals – <u>A Prayer for Peace on the 2nd Anniversary</u>
 Council of Churches in Canada – <u>Prayers for Peace in Ukraine</u> (three prayers, drawing on prayers from the Ukrainian Catholic and Ukrainian Orthodox traditions)
Methodist Church – <u>A range of prayers and hymn suggestions, including a prayer for the 2nd</u>

Salvation Army – A Prayer for Ukraine

United Reformed Church: <u>Ukraine – prayers for second anniversary</u> (drawn from prayer points of young Ukrainians in the UK)

Prayer Points

The Bible Society has a very powerful video of Christians around Ukraine reading Psalm 31.

View it – or if your church uses online video, download it and use it in your service.

Tearfund <u>prayer points and guidance</u>

World Evangelical Alliance suggestions for prayers (Ukraine Independence Day, 2022)

Formal prayers or liturgies

anniversary of the war

<u>Prayers from the Baptist Union</u>

Prayer from the Bishop of Oxford

CAFOD - Prayer for Ukraine, Intercessions for Ukraine

Christian Aid – Prayer for Ukraine

Church of England – <u>Prayers for Ukraine</u> (part of page on response to the war)

Churches Together in Britain and Ireland – <u>Prayer for Ukraine</u>

Bishop David Hamid, Church of England Diocese in Europe – <u>Prayer for Ukraine</u>

Fellowship of Reconciliation – Resources on Ukraine (includes liturgy used in weekly prayers)

Mennonites in Canada

Methodist Church – A range of prayers and hymn suggestions, including a prayer for the 2nd anniversary of the war

Orthodox Church in America – <u>statement followed by suggested intercessions</u> Pope Francis' <u>prayer for peace</u>

United Reformed Church – <u>Prayers for Ukraine</u>. Collection including prayers from JPIT, the Communion of Protestant Churches in Europe (which includes the Lutheran Church in Russia and the Orthodox Church in Ukraine), the Chairs of the London District of the Methodist Church, the Northern Synod Moderator, and Inderjit Bhogal

A liturgy for grieving a national tragedy – The Rabbit Room

For Nigeria

- o Former Anglican Archbishop offers prayer points
- o Catholic Television of Nigeria, <u>Archbishop calls for prayers for peace</u>
- Prayer guidance from CSW
- Methodist Prayer
- o Open Doors
- For people caught up in the conflicts in Syria and Iraq:
 - Week of Prayer for Christian Unity materials, composed by Christians of Aleppo in 2004 on the theme of "My peace I give to you."
 - o CAFOD
 - Christian Aid <u>Syria prayer vigil</u> (2020)
 - Mosaic Middle East
 - o The Jerusalem and the Middle East Church Association
 - o Syriac Orthodox Prayer Book
- For Sudan and South Sudan:
 - o Aid to the Church in Need interview with Bishop Alex Lodiong of Yei (prayer request at 26')
 - o Prayers from the Anglican Diocese of Wau;
 - o CAFOD
 - o Christian Aid
 - Salisbury Sudan Link