



Idlewild Presbyterian Church (USA)

Each day in June, we invite you to join us in prayer at 17:50 (5:50 p.m.). Watch social media for the prayer prompts and feel free to share your prayers in the comments. This week's prayer prompts were written by Jessica Joshi. Jessica serves on the Session as an elder and is a senior at St. Mary's.

June 1 (Pentecost Monday)

God of the restless flames, God who called the first disciples, God who sparks our hearts. Guide us by your Spirit to...

June 2

Precious Lord, you are my Shepherd: Guardian of the Flock. Lead us beside the still waters...

June 3

Loving God, we carry so many burdens and troubles. Our fingers tremble and shake. Our arms strain with the weight. When we are unable to hold them on our own, we put our lives into your hands...

June 4

Spirit that dances through the trees and breathes life into heavy hearts, guide my thoughts, words, and actions...

June 5

As the flowers bloom and the birds sing, as the summer sun warms us and the winds blow, bless our new beginnings...

June 6

Lord, in this busy life of to-do lists and tasks left undone, I ask that you teach me to be still...

June 7

Jesus asked his disciples, "Stay here and keep watch with me." Open our hearts and teach them to see when our eyes may fail...

June 8

God of the empty wilderness and the barren desert, God of the swelling cities and crowded streets, you are in the chaos and the calm, stay near to us...

June 9

I lift up my eyes to the hills – from where will my help come? ...

June 10

When I neglect the present and continue to look forward but never around...

June 11

O God you call us with the crash of thunder and a gentle whisper. Our hearts beat, "Here I am. Here I am." We are your servants, listening...

June 12

Comfort those who weep, wipe away their tears, and surround them with your love...

June 13

God in the skinned knees and stinging paper-cuts, you heal the wounds we carry on our bodies. God of debilitating grief and empty hopelessness, you bind up the brokenhearted. Our souls are in need of your healing touch...

June 14

Creator who shaped us and breathed life into us...

June 15

O God, gather us in, bind my wandering heart to you...

June 16

Light of the darkened tomb and Life of the rolled-away stone...

June 17

"Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace, your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace: Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray"...

June 18

Keeper of Promises and Protector of Dreams, we ask that you carry the hopes on our hearts this evening. We send to you the wishes and wants that we hold, especially...

June 19

We are an Easter people whose eyes stay fixed on the Cross. We await our redemption, seeking resurrection that only comes from you. O God of the stone-cold tomb and God of the Easter Lily, we stand in the garden with tear-stained eyes, blinking at the gardener until He will call us by name...

June 20

Lord, you promised us perfect love, but never an easy life. We stumble and fall. We fail and laugh. We weep and break. God of our shame and grief, stay with us. God of our joy and hopefulness, rejoice with us...

June 21 (Father's Day)

Heavenly Father, we thank you for earthly fathers: for those with whom we are connected by blood or in spirit, for fathers on earth and those above, and for mentors and protectors everywhere. Hold especially those who grieve their fathers or those who cannot celebrate because of physical or emotional distance...

June 22

You are the mighty Oak and the song of the birds nestled in the branches. You are the sturdy roots that anchor deep in the ground. You are the stretching leaves that reach towards the sky ...

June 23

Open my eyes to see the ways You are at work in others, fully alive and present.
Open my heart to remember the ways You are at work in me...

June 24

Lord, live in my words so that they may be instruments of your peace. Guide my actions and make clean my thoughts so that thy will be done...

June 25

We often forget to thank you for the many blessings of our lives and for the joys of Creation...

June 26

You call us to be still and know that You are God, but we are accustomed to lives of movement. We exist in a rush from one task to the next, never allowing our hearts to find that stillness in you...

June 27

Too often am I ashamed by my childish hopes and dreams, but tonight, I give them to You, trusting in Your grace...

June 28

Good Shepherd, keep watch over Your flock. Guide us home when we become lost and afraid because we have strayed and wandered. Let us allow ourselves to take comfort in Your protection and gentle care...

June 29

Lord, bless the tired ones. Ease the waiting ones, and return those who turn away. Soothe the angry and make still the restless ones so that they may find peace in You...

June 30

We look now to a new month and new beginnings. We remember the steps we have taken and the march forward. We regret the failures and the missteps. O God, by Your grace, we are made new...