

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done
on Earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil,
for Thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory forever.*

Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We thank You, O God, for 250 years of freedom.

Many: *Forgive us, O God, for the generations
denied that right on plantations, reservations,
and under Jim Crow.*

One: We thank You, O God, for the peace-filled
years we have experienced at home.

Many: *Remind us, O God, that more than 1 million,
250 thousand American soldiers died in
222 years of conflict, along with countless
civilians here and on foreign soil.*

One: We pray, O God, that freedom, peace,
and justice might extend to all our people,

Many: *And beyond our shores to all lands. Amen.*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*Dear God,
you made us all in your image.
Help us to show your love
to everyone we meet:
our family, friends,
neighbors, classmates,
and strangers.
Amen.*

