



# 30 DAYS OF PRAYER

TO GOD FOR GUIDANCE AND DIRECTION

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## HOW TO USE THE PRAYER GUIDE:

As we discern the path forward, it's vitally important for this congregation to be in prayer. Inside you will find each day listed with a prayer, scriptures, and space for your thoughts. Please take at least 15 minutes each day with this booklet and allow the Holy Spirit to lead your time in prayer.

## HOW TO USE THE DISCERNMENT CALENDAR:

The 30 Day Discernment Calendar (found at the back of this booklet) offers a daily guide for: additional scripture readings, notice for special meetings, a weekly Bible study, special times of prayer, and ultimately the date for the Straw Poll (defined below).

**Additional Scripture readings:** these are additional scripture related to discernment and can be read along with the scripture offered for each day in the booklet.

**Special Meetings:** You will note a Town Hall meeting scheduled for Sunday March 26, at 9:45 am in the Fellowship Hall. This meeting will allow for updates, information, and time for questions.

**A Weekly Bible Study:** Each Monday, beginning March 6<sup>th</sup>, Margaret Burke will lead a Bible study, "Discerning the Voice of God." This will take place at 1:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

**Special Time of Prayer:** Each Wednesday during regular office hours, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, the church sanctuary will be open for self-guided-prayer.

**Discernment Team Meeting:** Each Thursday at 6 p.m. the Discernment Team meets to pray, plan, and organize for the Discernment process (including this booklet, etc.). The team consists of the following people: Louis Corde, Caryl Harris, Sharon Robertson, Randy Ramey, Terri Griggs, Chuck Salmon, Beth Spitzley, Zachary Glazier, Pastor Don and Pastor Daniel.

**Straw Poll:** an unofficial ballot/vote to test the opinion (following the 30 Days of Discernment) will determine whether Beulah UMC moves on in the Disaffiliation process and toward a deciding vote. The Straw Poll will take place Tuesday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in the church sanctuary and will include all members present and will require a simple majority to move forward.

## GLOSSARY OF TERMS

**Discernment:** In general, discernment is accurately evaluating ourselves, people, and situations. We discern things correctly by having a sound perception of what is true, right, and essential. Dictionary.com defines discernment as "the faculty of discerning, discrimination, acuteness of judgment and understanding."

**Discernment in the Bible:** 1 Thessalonians 5:21-22 teaches that it is the responsibility of every Christian to be discerning: "But examine everything carefully; hold fast to that which is good; abstain from every form of evil."

**Straw Poll:** an unofficial ballot/vote conducted as a test of opinion.





























































SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
<p><b>March 05 – Day 1</b> <i>Psalm 139:23-24</i></p> <p>Special Communion Service (marking beginning of 30 day Discernment)</p>	<p><b>March 06 – Day 2</b> <i>1 Peter 1:13</i></p> <p>Discerning the Voice of God Bible Study 1:30 pm (Fellowship Hall)</p>	<p><b>March 07 – Day 3</b> <i>Psalm 26:2</i></p>	<p><b>March 08 – Day 4</b> <i>Proverbs 4:23</i></p> <p>Sanctuary Open for Prayer</p>
<p><b>March 12 – Day 8</b> <i>James 1:5</i></p>	<p><b>March 13 – Day 9</b> <i>Proverbs 2:3-7</i></p> <p>Discerning the Voice of God Bible Study 1:30 pm (Fellowship Hall)</p>	<p><b>March 14 – Day 10</b> <i>Proverbs 18:15</i></p>	<p><b>March 15 – Day 11</b> <i>Colossians 2:2-3</i></p> <p>Sanctuary Open for Prayer</p>
<p><b>March 19 – Day 15</b> <i>1 John 4:11</i></p>	<p><b>March 20 – Day 16</b> <i>1 Peter 1:22</i></p> <p>Discerning the Voice of God Bible Study 1:30 pm (Fellowship Hall)</p>	<p><b>March 21 – Day 17</b> <i>Colossians 3:12-13</i></p>	<p><b>March 22 – Day 18</b> <i>Ephesians 4:15</i></p> <p>Sanctuary Open for Prayer</p>
<p><b>March 26 – Day 22</b> <i>Philippians 4:6-7</i></p> <p>Town Hall Meeting at 9:45 am for Questions and Answers (Fellowship Hall)</p>	<p><b>March 27 – Day 23</b> <i>Isaiah 26:3</i></p> <p>Discerning the Voice of God Bible Study 1:30 pm (Fellowship Hall)</p>	<p><b>March 28 – Day 24</b> <i>Colossians 3:15</i></p>	<p><b>March 29 – Day 25</b> <i>Hebrews 12:14</i></p> <p>Sanctuary Open for Prayer</p>
<p><b>April 02 – Day 29</b> <i>Proverbs 3:5-6</i></p> <p><i>Palm Sunday</i></p>	<p><b>April 03 – Day 30</b> <i>Psalm 28:7</i></p> <p>Last Day of 30 day Discernment</p> <p>Discerning the Voice of God Bible Study 1:30 pm (Fellowship Hall)</p>	<p><b>April 04</b></p>	<p><b>April 05</b></p>
<p><b>April 09</b></p> <p>Easter Sunday</p>	<p><b>April 10</b></p> <p>Church Closed in observance of Easter</p>	<p><b>April 11</b></p> <p>Straw Poll 7:00 pm Church Sanctuary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- All members who are present may vote</li> <li>- Simple majority is needed to move forward</li> </ul>	

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><b>March 09 – Day 5</b> <i>Psalm 25:5</i></p> <p>Discernment Team Meeting 6:00 pm</p>	<p><b>March 10 – Day 6</b> <i>1 Corinthians 2:11</i></p>	<p><b>March 11 – Day 7</b> <i>Psalm 43:3</i></p>
<p><b>March 16 – Day 12</b> <i>Ephesians 4:17</i></p> <p>Discernment Team Meeting 6:00 pm</p>	<p><b>March 17 – Day 13</b> <i>Psalm 119:66</i></p>	<p><b>March 18 – Day 14</b> <i>Psalm 111:10</i></p>
<p><b>March 23 – Day 19</b> <i>1 Corinthians 13:13</i></p> <p>Discernment Team Meeting 6:00 pm</p>	<p><b>March 24 – Day 20</b> <i>John 13:34-35</i></p>	<p><b>March 25 – Day 21</b> <i>1 Corinthians 16:13-14</i></p>
<p><b>March 30 – Day 26</b> <i>John 14:27</i></p> <p>Discernment Team Meeting 6:00 pm</p>	<p><b>March 31 – Day 27</b> <i>2 Thessalonians 3:16</i></p>	<p><b>April 01 – Day 28</b> <i>Philippians 4:7</i></p>
<p><b>April 06</b></p> <p>Maundy Thursday</p>	<p><b>April 07</b></p> <p>Good Friday</p>	<p><b>April 08</b></p>

# DISCERNMENT CALENDAR

