Seven Prayers for Food Week of Action


From a historical perspective bread was a powerful symbol of God’s physical provision for God’s people in the Old Testament. This reference however encourages us to make all our needs known to God in prayer. As we enter this conversation and communion with God, we see specific answers to our prayers, even when they aren’t the ones we may have sought. The Presbyterian Hunger Program invites you to use these Prayers at Mealtime* during this Food Week of Action to ask for our physical and spiritual daily bread.

Give us grateful hearts, O God, for all your mercies, and make us mindful of the needs of others; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Holy God, we thank you for home, family, and friends. May your love be with us as we break bread in Jesus’ name. Amen.

Blessed are you, Lord. You have fed us from our earliest days; you give food to every living creature. Fill our hearts with joy and delight. Give us what we need and enough to spare for works of mercy in honor of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Creator of the Universe, you give us this gift of food to nourish us and give us life. Bless this food that you have made and human hands have prepared. May it satisfy our hunger, and in sharing it together may we come closer to one another. Amen.

God of grace, sustain our bodies with this food, our hearts with true friendship and our souls with your truth, for Christ’s sake. Amen.

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, ruler of the universe, for you give us food to sustain our lives and make our hearts glad. Amen.

For health and strength and daily food, we praise your name, O Lord. Amen.