



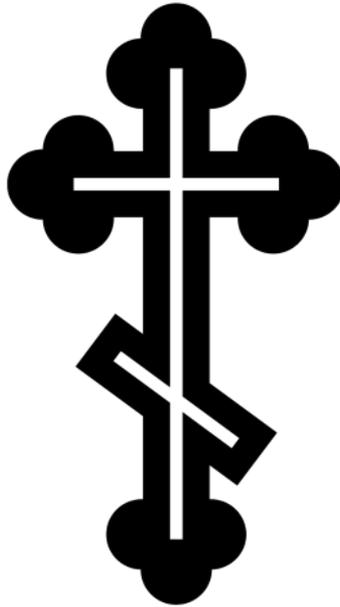
# THE PRAYER SERVICE

SUNG IN TIMES OF WAR

*with*

An Adapted Supplicatory Prayer

FOR THE SUFFERING LAND  
OF UKRAINE AND HER CHILDREN



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Holy Glorious Prophet, Forerunner,  
and Baptist of the Lord, John.

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*Priest:* Blessed is our God, always, now and for ever and ever.

*Reader:* Amen. Glory be to You, our God , glory be to You.

Heavenly King, Advocate, Spirit of Truth, Who are everywhere present and fill all things, Treasury of Blessings, Bestower of Life, come and dwell within us; cleanse us of all that defiles us, and O Good One, save our souls.

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal, have mercy on us. *Thrice*

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Trinity most holy, have mercy on us. Cleanse us of our sins, O Lord; pardon our transgressions, O Master; look upon our weaknesses and heal them, O Holy One; for the sake of Your name.

Lord, have mercy. *Thrice*

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen.

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.

*Priest:* For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever.

*Reader:* Amen.

Lord, have mercy. *Twelve times.*

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Come, let us bow in worship before the King, our God.  
Come, let us bow in worship before Christ, the King, our God.  
Come, let us bow in worship and fall down before the very Lord, Jesus Christ, our King and God.

### Psalm 45

Our God is refuge and strength, a helper in afflictions which mightily befall us. Therefore shall we not fear when the earth be shaken, nor when the mountains be removed into the heart of the seas. Their waters roared and were troubled, the mountains were troubled by Prayer Service His might. The rushings of the river make glad the city of God; the Most High has hallowed His tabernacle. God is in the midst of her, she shall not be shaken; God shall help her right early in the morning. The nations were troubled, kingdoms tottered, the Most High gave forth His voice, the earth was shaken. The Lord of hosts is with us, our helper is the God of Jacob. Come and behold the works of God, what marvels He has wrought on the earth, making wars to cease unto the ends of the earth. He will crush the bow and will shatter the weapon, and shields will He utterly burn with fire. Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth. The Lord of hosts is with us, our helper is the God of Jacob.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever and ever. Amen.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Glory be to You, O God. *Thrice.*

*The deacon then says the Litany. If there is no deacon, the priest says the petitions:*

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

*The people respond to each petition:* Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from on high and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

For peace throughout the world, for the well-being of God's holy churches and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

For this holy church and for all who enter it with faith, reverence, and fear of God, let us pray to the Lord.

For the most holy Universal Pontiff N., Pope of Rome, for our most blessed Patriarch N., our most reverend Metropolitan N., our God-loving Bishop N., the reverend priesthood, the diaconate in Christ, and all the clergy and the people, let us pray to the Lord.

For our nation under God, for the government, and for all the military, let us pray to the Lord.

For this city (or For this village, or For this holy monastery), for every city and country and for the faithful who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

That He may make the strength of His faithful like a bow of brass and strengthen their right hand with the power of His power and for victory over our adversaries, let us pray to the Lord.

That He may give unwavering, invincible and victorious strength and courage to our army which bears the name of Christ, for victory over enemies and adversaries and all their attacks, let us pray to the Lord.

That he may fill the faces of our adversaries with shame and dishonor, and fill their hearts with fear and terror, and for the angel of the Lord to route them and confuse them, let us pray to the Lord.

That He may hear the cry of His holy Church and the sighs of our fellow believers, and to deliver from persecution and the enemy His servants who cry out to Him in sorrow and grief, let us pray to the Lord.

Help and save, have mercy and protect us, O God, by Your grace.

Remembering our most holy and immaculate, most blessed and glorious Lady, the Mother of God and ever-virgin Mary, together with all the saints, let us commend ourselves and one another and our whole life to Christ our God.

*All:* To You, O Lord.

*Priest:* For all glory, honour and worship befit You, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever.

*All:* Amen.

*After this, the deacon, in Tone 1:*

The Lord is God, and has revealed Himself to us. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

*verse:* O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good, for His mercy endures for ever.

*verse:* Surrounding me they encircled me about, and in the Name of the Lord have I driven them back.

*verse:* I shall not die, but I shall live, and declare the works of the Lord.

*verse:* The stone which the builders rejected is become the head of the corner. This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes.

*The Troparion in the same Tone:*

Save Your people, O Lord, and bless Your inheritance. Grant victory to Your faithful people against enemies, and protect Your community by Your Cross.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen.

*Theotokion:* O awesome intercession that cannot be put to shame,

O good one, disdain not our prayer; O all-hymned Theotokos, establish the community of the orthodox, save our pious rulers, whom you have commanded to rule, and grant unto them victory from heaven, for you have brought forth God, O only blessed one.

*Deacon:* Let us be attentive!

*Priest:* Peace be with all.

*Reader:* And with your spirit.

*Deacon:* Wisdom. Let us be attentive!

*Reader, prokeimenon in Tone 7:* The Lord will give strength to His people, \* the Lord will bless His people with peace.

*verse:* Bring unto the Lord, you sons of God, bring unto the Lord young rams.

*Then, the Epistle to the Ephesians 220 (2: 4-10):*

Brethren, God who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up with him, and made us sit with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith; and this is not your own doing, it is the gift of God: not because of works, lest any man should boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

*Or to the Corinthians 172 (II 2:14-17) Or to the Ephesians 233 (6: 10-17) Or to the Hebrews (11:32-34; 12: 1-2)*

*After the Epistle, Alleluia, thrice.*

*Deacon:* Wisdom! Stand aright! Let us listen to the holy Gospel.

*Priest:* Peace be with all.

*All:* And with your spirit.

*Priest:* A reading from the holy Gospel according to N.

*All:* Glory be to You, O Lord, glory be to You.

*Deacon:* Let us be attentive!

*The priest reads the Gospel from Luke 48a (9: 51-56):*

At that time, when the days drew near for him to be received up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him, who went and entered a village of the Samaritans, to make ready for him; but the people would not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. And when his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to bid fire come down from heaven and consume them as Elias did?" But he turned and rebuked them, and he said, "You do not know what manner of spirit you are of; for the Son of man came not to destroy men's lives but to save them." And they went on to another village.

*Or from Matthew 20a (7:7-11) Or from Matthew 98a (24:6-10, 12, 21-22) Or from Luke 70 (13:1-9)*

*All:* Glory be to You, O Lord, glory be to You.

*Deacon:* Have mercy on us, O God, in the greatness of Your compassion, we pray You, hear us and have mercy.

*All:* Lord, have mercy. *Thrice*

We also pray for the most holy universal Pontiff N., Pope of Rome; for our most blessed Patriarch N., our most reverend Metropolitan N., our God-loving Bishop N., for those who serve and have served in this holy church, for our spiritual fathers, and for all our brethren in Christ.

*All:* Lord, have mercy. *Thrice*

We also pray for this nation under God, for the government, and for all the military, let us pray to the Lord.

*All:* Lord, have mercy. *Thrice*

Not in weapons do we trust, and our shields will not save us, O

Lord, but we entreat Your almighty help and counting on Your strength we stand-firm against our enemies, faithfully calling upon Your Name and praying with compunction: Almighty Lord, in Your compassion hear us and have mercy.

*All:* Lord, have mercy. *Thrice*

Send your arrows, O Lord and Protection of the faithful, and create confusion among our enemies, send down Your hand from on high and humble them, subdue them before our Christ-loving army, we pray: in Your compassion hear us and have mercy.

*All:* Lord, have mercy. *Thrice*

That our army may be invincible and victorious over the enemies, and that peace and glory may dwell in our land, we pray earnestly to You, Lord, hear and have mercy.

*All:* Lord, have mercy. *Thrice*

*Priest:* Hear us, O God our Saviour, hope of all the ends of the earth and of those far away at sea. In Your graciousness be merciful to us sinners, O Master. For You are a merciful and loving God, and we give glory to You, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever.

*All:* Amen.

*Deacon:* Let us pray to the Lord.

*All:* Lord, have mercy. *Thrice*

*Priest (on bended knees) says this prayer in a loud voice with compunction:* O Lord God of powers, and God of our salvation, O God, who alone work wonders: look down with mercy and compassion on Your humble servants, and out of love for mankind hearken and have mercy on us and on the land of Ukraine. For, behold, enemies have once more gathered together, in order to cause division and enmity. But You who know all things, understand that they have risen up unrighteously, and that it will be impossible to oppose their multitudes unless You show us Your help. Therefore, we who are sinful and unworthy pray unto You

in repentance and with tears: Help us, O God, our Saviour, and deliver the land of Ukraine for the sake of the glory of Your Name, that the enemy may not to say: “Their God has forsaken them, and there is none to deliver and save them.” But let every nation understand that You are our God, and we Your people are always protected under Your dominion.

Reveal Your mercy, O Lord, and let the words spoken by Moses unto the people of Israel be applied to us: “Fear not. Stand still, and see the salvation of the Lord. For the Lord shall fight for us.” Work for us a sign for good, that they who are filled with hatred may see our orthodox faith and be humbled and shaken. Yes, O Lord God, our Saviour, our Strength and Hope and Help, remember not the transgressions and unrighteousness of Your faithful people, and turn not away from us in Your anger. But visit Your mercies and compassions upon Your humble servants, those who fight in defence of Ukraine and her much-suffering people, outnumbered though they be, and hear us who fall down before Your deep compassion. With Your mercy enlighten and make glad the hearts of the civil authorities, and strengthened them by Your might.

Rise up to their help and lay low the evil councils purposed against them by the enemy. Judge them that provoke and make war, and turn their impious boldness into fear and flight. But grant unto the just and God-fearing armies of the children of Ukraine, great boldness and courage to advance and overtake them, and to defeat them in Your Name. And unto them that You have judged to lay down their lives for faith and country, forgive them their trespasses, and in the day of the righteous reckoning grant unto them incorruptible crowns.

For You are the health and victory and salvation of them that put their hope in You, and unto You do we send up glory: to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.

*All:* Amen.

*Deacon:* Wisdom!

*All:* More honourable, than the cherubim, and by far more glorious than the seraphim. Ever a virgin, you gave birth to God the Word, O true Mother of God, we magnify you.

*Priest:* Glory be to You, O Christ God, our hope, glory be to You.

*All:* Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever and ever. Amen. Lord, have mercy. *thrice.* Give the blessing.

*Priest:* Christ our true God, through the prayers of His immaculate Mother, of the holy Archangel Michael, chief-captain of the Bodiless Host, of our venerable fathers Antony and Theodosius and all the wonderworkers of the Kyiv-Caves, of the holy passion-bearers Borys and Hlib, and of all the saints, have mercy on us and save us, for He is good and loves mankind.

*All:* Amen.





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