

# SONGS FOR PRAYER

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~ *You are invited to pray these songs from your heart!* ~

## ***Beloved Child***

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I am your beloved child.  
I am your beloved child.  
It's not in what I do, but who I am:  
A child of God, formed by your own hand.

## ***Come To Me***

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Come to me all you weary,  
Come to me all you lost,  
Come to me all you troubled,  
For I long to give you rest.

Come to me with your worry,  
Come to me with your shame,  
Come to me with your burden,  
For I long to set you free.

## ***Hold Me, Lord***

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Hold me, Lord, hold me, Lord.  
I fall into your open arms,  
I feel your love surround me, and everything is well,  
When you hold me Lord

## ***Humility Prayer***

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Jesus, meek and humble of heart,  
Make my heart like yours.

## ***I Surrender, Lord***

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All that I have, all that I am  
I surrender, Lord, into your hands.  
All that I speak, all that I do  
I surrender, Lord, and put my trust in you.

## ***In The Sight of the Angels***

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In the sight of the angels  
I will sing your praises, Lord.

## ***In The Silence***

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In the silence, find the Lord of Love.  
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## ***It Is Mercy***

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It is mercy: it is mercy you desire,  
And not sacrifice: it is mercy.

## ***Love Wins All***

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Love wins all: if we forgive, we set them free.  
Love wins all: in the end, there's no higher power.

## ***Pour Out***

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Pour out Your grace, Lord,  
Pour out Your grace.  
Let it run through all the earth,  
Heal the human race

## ***Purest Virgin Mary***

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Purest Virgin Mary, help me, help me.  
Purest Virgin Mary, teach me, teach me.

## ***River of Grace***

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Float on the river of grace:  
Let it sweep you along,  
To where you belong.  
Float on the river of grace.

## ***Wake and Rise***

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Wake and rise to the glory of new life:  
See the sun shining all around!  
Wake and rise: feel your heart beating inside,  
Breathe again, you are alive:  
Wake and rise!

## ***Yes, We Believe***

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Eucharist, bread divine:  
Heaven and earth now unite.  
Boundless love sacrificed,  
Source and summit of our life.

## ***You Answer Me (Psalm 4)***

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When I call, You answer me,  
You answer me, O my God.

Via my website guestbook, many people have shared with me moments from their lives that God has been present in a special way... Perhaps these thoughts can be "prayer starters" for you:

- *My nephew Jacob who is 8 was diagnosed with class B leukemia last august. At the age of 4 he had a kidney transplant, his attitude blows me away and his faith is most awesome.*
- *A recent Mission hosted by our parish was titled "Fragmentation to Wholeness"! The talks emphasized the Passion of Christ and His enduring, radical love for us! This mission has absolutely changed my life!*
- *One day when I was really feeling low, I was shown a rainbow by the Lord when there was absolutely no physical reason for it to be there.*
- *A few days before my mother passed away she had an experience that truly brought her peace. She shared with me that she was ready to join those who had gone before her and she experienced heaven as comforting and welcoming. She assured me that everything was fine and that she would be waiting for me. A beautiful God gift given to me through one of the greatest people in my life.*
- *I especially see God at work as I teach the 4th graders in CCD.*
- *I have had eleven God Moments in my life. The first was when I met my future husband. The next ten were meeting each of my children when they were born... so many beautiful gifts from God.*
- *I recently spent 2 months in Mexico with my uncle, who is a priest in a very poor town in Yucatan. He has devoted over 55 years to God and is the happiest person I have ever met in my life. Despite the poor living conditions there, the people are extremely happy. Simple things that we take for granted bring them great joy because they have the one thing that everyone needs in their life: our Lord, Jesus Christ. Staying in the 300 year old church for those 2 months were the most peaceful months of my life and the closest I have ever felt to God.*
- *I was about to make a "huge" mistake and decided to get in my car heading "AWAY" from that mistake. On my way down the highway I looked up to see a huge billboard that read "J E S U S" and I knew "he" was with me, guiding me and protecting me from making a wrong decision.*
- *When my mom had her stroke, she became very ill. However, surgery and God helped her to become her old self again. It was quite a miracle!*
- *When I came out of a coma in the hospital and learned to talk again after a prognosis of never being able to walk or talk again! Thank You God, for the second chance!!!*
- *Entering with much fear and confusion about my soon college departure...praying in a pitch-black church with a close friend who is also leaving...being set at peace with hope and trust in the future. God is so good :)*
- *Having a day that used to bring sadness suddenly bring joy and hope when a baby is born - because now anything is possible.*
- *When my Dad, just before he passed away, had what I believe was a "glimpse" of heaven. He was disappointed to return to the 6 children and 14 grandchildren that he treasured. Heaven must have been AWESOME!! That made it all real for me.*
- *My first retreat where I came to experience God more.*
- *This whole past Lent in every single aspect of everything I was hit over the head with the fact that I have control over nothing and have to completely trust God to take care of everything, particularly my job. It is humbling on a daily basis, but something I am finally getting a better, more joyful grasp upon.*
- *When I'm singing at church with friends and the Holy Spirit makes the music into an amazing prayer and the congregation is singing and praying with you and you reach the end and all you can do is say, "AMEN!!!"*
- *My last confession.*

I invite you to call to mind a time or circumstance that reminds you of how God has been present in a special way in your own life. Let this recollection inspire you to a deeper trust that God is near, always at work in your heart and in your life. I pray that you will never forget that you are God's **BELOVED**.