

Justice is the world *just as* **it ought to be.** God created a world full of justice which was corrupted by human sin. We look forward to a day when justice is restored (as we read in Revelation 21:1-4). In the mean time, God is working to restore justice to the world, through his people, the church. This term, let us commit to praying that God would bring justice in ways that only he can, and that he would form us to be people that bring justice in the ways that we can.

A Prayer for Justice

Here is a simple prayer that we can all be praying regularly this term:

God of justice, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, we long for a world that is just the way you want it to be. We pray that you would bring justice to the last, the lost, the least, and the broken. We pray that you would make us people that bring justice. Give us eyes to see injustice in the world around us. Give us ears to hear the stories of those in need. Give us a mouth to speak for those without a voice. And give us hands and feet that are committed to making a difference. Only by your Spirit can justice come. Help us. Amen.

What should I pray for?

Specific Issues - Throughout the term we encourage you to pray for any justice issue that God puts on your heart. On the discipleship resources page there are a list of different prayers that people have written about issues such as asylum seekers and refugees, domestic violence, reconciliation, and climate justice. You can use these as a helpful guide.

Personal Formation - a justice reset is as much about us changing as the world changing. A major priority of our prayer life should praying that God's Spirit would continue to shape us into people who act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with God (Micah 6:8).

Our community - God's justice starts with us and our community. Keep praying for your neighbourhood, for specific issues that you know about and for justice in general for the poor and marginalised.

Praying God's Word

The bible is full of passages about justice. Read through these regularly and allow them to shape your prayer times. Here are some to get you started: Exodus 22:16-23:13; Amos 3-5; Hosea 12:2-6; Isaiah 58; Matthew 25:31-46

Join us in Prayer

Like last term, there will be regular opportunities to pray together throughout the term. As always, the 'This Week' email will provide the most up-to-date information.

Zoom Meetings - ID: 282 735 6541 /// Password: prayer

Prayer @ the centre - these will continue to be held Sunday mornings of small group week