

Prayers for the Church

- God, make the door of this house wide enough to receive all who need human love and fellowship; narrow enough to shut out all envy, pride and strife.
Make its threshold smooth enough to be no stumbling block to children, nor to straying feet, but rugged and strong enough to turn back the tempter's power. God make the doorway of this house the gateway to thine eternal kingdom. (by St. Stephen's, Walbrook, London)
- Everliving God, whose will it is that all should come to you through your Son Jesus Christ: Inspire our witness to him, that all may know the power of his forgiveness and the hope of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen. (BCP, p. 816)
- Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and on earth, hear our prayers for this parish family. Strengthen the faith, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and one mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (BCP, p. 817)
- Faith community: creating a space where obedience to truth can be practiced. (by Sharon Daloz Parks)