

**Welcome:** We would like to welcome you here today for our worship service with our theme today **“Lord – Teach Me to Pray”** and the text is **Matthew 6:5-15**. **“Note” the messages each week are also available on podcast from the church web page [www.lightofchristwi.org](http://www.lightofchristwi.org)**

**Sermon Outline**

1. The beatitudes set the context for the teaching on the Lord’s prayer because **a person’s heart is the foundation for prayer**. Reflect on those verses from Matthew 5:3-7. *God blesses those who are poor and realize their need for him,\* for the Kingdom of Heaven is theirs. <sup>4</sup> God blesses those who mourn, for they will be comforted. <sup>5</sup> God blesses those who are humble, for they will inherit the whole earth. <sup>6</sup> God blesses those who hunger and thirst for justice,\* for they will be satisfied. <sup>7</sup> God blesses those who are merciful, for they will be shown mercy.*
2. What kind of heart helps build a foundation of prayer? A heart that realizes their need for God. We also see when we mourn over our own sin it changes our heart. The Lord also speaks about a heart that is humble. What else? A heart who thirsts for justice...and also a heart that is merciful.
3. After we have built a foundation of a humble heart let’s turn to the Lord’s prayer itself where our thought is Lord...**teach us to pray**
4. **Forgiveness heals my heart.**

**Sermon Reflection**

1. What verses caught your attention in the message today?  
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2. What are you hearing in the text and or message (Where might the Spirit be nudging?)  
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3. What is Jesus doing in your life right now as you respond to the message?  
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4. How is Jesus challenging you as you listened to today’s message?  
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5. What do you believe Jesus wants you to do this week?  
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6. What could you be praying about...or ask others to pray about for you?  
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7. Today’s message is about prayer...please feel free to ask for prayer after the service if the Holy Spirit is prompting you. Pastor Tom