Peace Lutheran School prayer written by the students for the 2018 National Day of Prayer,

following the prayer form "ACTS" (Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, and Supplication)

Adoration:

by Grade 7

Dear Lord, my Shield is God Most High, who saves the upright in heart. You, Lord, hear the desire of the afflicted; You encourage them and listen to their cry. We praise You all our lives for what You have done for us. You, Lord, are a perfect and loving God. You gave us more than we ever deserved. We praise you for taking us in as Your own. We praise You for Your steadfast love and faithfulness. We praise You for keeping us on the right path and helping us to not slip away from You. We praise You, O Lord, our Rock and Redeemer. You are the Almighty God and Maker of heaven and earth.

by Grade 8

Lord, we praise You for Your faithfulness to us, our continued forgiveness, and Your unconditional love. We adore Your presence in our lives, and Your awesome Word. We seek to glorify You with our lives, our words, and through our actions toward others.

Confession:

by Grade 2

Dear Heavenly Father, we come before You and ask Your forgiveness for the many sins we have done. We are sorry for lying to You and others. We are sorry for disobeying our parents, teachers, and others in authority. We are sorry for cheating. We are sorry for using Your name in a bad way. We are sorry for hurting people by the things we say and the things we do. We are sorry when we get jealous of what other people have because we know that You provide us with all of our needs. Lord, sometimes, we ignore You, like when we don't pay attention in Religion class or in church. Sometimes we don't read our Bibles and sometimes we don't speak up for You and tell others about You when we have the opportunity to do so. Dear God, we are sorry that You had to give up Your only Son to die for our sins even though He had done nothing wrong. We ask for Your forgiveness, dear Father. We thank You for sending Jesus. Amen.

by Grade 3

Please forgive us for not listening and obeying our parents and others in authority over us. Please forgive us for not being truthful in all things. Please forgive us for bullying others or being unkind in any way. Please forgive us for taking things that do not belong to us, whether big or small. Please forgive us for putting other things first instead of You, things like video games, soccer, dance, sleep, and vacations. Please forgive us for all those things we should do that we fail to do, such as: not praying as much as You want us to, not setting aside time each week to worship You, not speaking up for others who are being bullied, and not helping others in need.

Thanksgiving:

by Young Fives

Dear God above; thank You so much for my family, who takes care of us. They cook great food, help us learn things, and play and have fun. Most of all, they LOVE us so much!!! We are happy to have our toys and books that make our days fun. Books help us to lean how to read. We are so happy that we have homes to live in. We are always safe, and we love our cozy beds. We also need doctors, hospitals, and medicine to help us when we are sick. We love You and thank You for everything!! Amen.

by Kindergarten

Thank You for blessing our school with wonderful teachers. Thank You for creating a church so we can worship You! Thank You for sending Jesus to earth to die for our sins. I am grateful for my warm home. Thank You for healthy food to eat. I am thankful You created doctors who can heal us. Thank You for blessing me with a loving family. I am grateful for Your never-ending love! I am grateful for all my friends.

By Grade 1

Thank You, God, for the world You created and our families that we love. Thank You, God, for a warm, safe home to live in and for friends that help us and play with us. But most of all, thank You, God, for Peace Lutheran School so we can learn about You!

Supplication:

by Grade 4

Thank You, Heavenly Father, for our students. Please help each one to pay close attention to their teachers. May they learn the important truths. May they reflect Your love to those in this world. We lift up to You our teachers. Please give them wisdom and insight to be wonderful teachers impacting the lives of children. We thank You for our principal, Mrs. Stathakis. Bless her with the needed wisdom to lead our school. Finally, we ask for wisdom and direction for our Board of Education. May they direct our school in a way that gives You honor.

by Grade 5

O Lord, continue to bless our country as we thank You for the blessings You have given to our nation ... our freedom to worship YOU, all our natural resources, our military, the firemen and policemen, good leaders, technology that helps us live comfortable lives and gives us great medicine and doctors, jobs that provide income, education, justice for all, and shelter. Continue, Lord, to make our country strong and help it to walk in Your ways so that all people of our nation may make good use of the land You have given us and the lives that we have in the United States.

by Grade 6

Dear Lord; we thank You for the wonderful world You have created for us. Lord, please help the animals who are going extinct because of the people who do not appreciate your creation. Help us all to take good care of the world and the things in it. Please help world leaders to make wise decisions for their countries and to help them not get into conflicts. Lord, be with the world and give us peace. We pray that You would help us to spread the word of Christianity throughout the world. Help the missionaries to travel safely to other places to spread the Word of God. Heavenly Father, please help those who are struggling with sickness and diseases. Help the doctors who are treating them to find a cure for the sickness and diseases. Give us Your protection from natural disasters and be with those who have suffered through them. O God, please watch over the homeless, and guide them to safety. Help the poor people in countries to be successful. In Your name we pray, Amen.