

Groups of the Spirit (GOTS) | Gathering Prayer | A Prayer for Epiphany

Prayer Intentions:

- Weave God into the mix, given GOTS are church-sponsored gatherings 😊
- Honor our Mission Covenant Goals of supporting faith formation across all ages and stages, deepening our welcome (of our diverse journeys of faith), building authentic relationships across similarities and differences, and to create a shared experience across the various GOTS.

Instructions:

1. Choose a prayer leader to lead this prayer, near the beginning of your time together.
 2. If you don't have copies for everyone, find it online at <http://saintjudes.org/groups-spirit-gots>
 3. All are invited to share during in the "circle prayer" section, and of course, each may "pass for now" or "pass" all together!
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Prayer Leader:

Let us pray: Ever-present God, as the star led the Magi to find Jesus, continue to lead us in ways of truth and freedom. In the spirit of our brother Martin Luther King, fill us with hope to keep on keeping on. And grace in remembering, "If [we] can't fly then run, if [we] can't run then walk, if [we] can't walk then crawl, but whatever [we] do [we] have to keep moving forward."

Circle prayer:

Going around the circle, each are invited to share in a word or phrase one area of your life where you long for God's help to keep on keeping on. You may "pass for now" and we will return to you before continuing or you may "pass" altogether. After all have had an opportunity to share, then close with...

All: **With the growing love and support of our community and with God's help, we pray, Amen.**