

# ¶ *The Presentation of the Four Texts*

## 2 **The Lord's Prayer**

*One of the following or other readings may be used*

1 Kings 8.27-30; Hosea 11.1-4; Romans 8.14-17,26-27; Galatians 4.4-7;  
Matthew 6.7-13; Luke 11.1-4

*One of the following psalms may be used*

Psalm 23; 103.6-18

*The minister addresses those who are disciples on the Way of faith*

Brothers and sisters, listen carefully to the Lord's prayer. It is given to us as a pattern for our praying as well as a prayer that we can make our own. It teaches us that heaven is open to our prayers and that the world is open to the gracious working of God.

*The Lord's Prayer is read in the form which is commonly used by the congregation.*

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and for ever.  
Amen.

*(or)*

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come;  
thy will be done;  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever.  
Amen.

*The minister says*

Lord of heaven and earth,  
as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer,  
give us patience and courage never to lose hope,  
but always to bring our prayers before you;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**