

Prayer at Shaftsburg

We thought we would emphasize celebration and thanksgiving as we pray our way around our Shaftsburg building. We have seven stops inside the building in which we will pray for the ministry represented by that stop as it impacts both those of us who attend Graham as well as the community around us.

[As a practical matter, not all stops will have chairs or places to sit, so if some come who cannot stand we might bring along a chair for them. Some may choose to stay in one room.]

The stops don't have any necessary order.

Auditorium – Worship Service

- **Vision:** May God be glorified as we lift up his name together in our new sanctuary
 - **Scripture:** Ps. 66.4; Ps 150.1-6
 - **Community Prayer:** That God would be glorified as we worship him at Shaftsburg
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Sunday School/AWANA: Nursery – 8th grade – 401, 402, 403, 407, 408, 409, or 410

- **Vision:** May the Lord raise up a generation of Christ-exalting children who come to love Jesus as they are raised at Graham Church in Shaftsburg.
 - **Scripture** – Matt 19.13-14; Deut 6.6-9
 - **Community Prayer:** Prayer for children who will come to GC in Shaftsburg; that they would come to know and love Jesus and be well cared for. Pray also for parents to raise godly children.
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Youth Group: 9th – 12th – Teen Room 201

- **Vision:** That the Lord will raise up young adults at GC in Shaftsburg who are fierce in their love for him, passionate about truth, and compassionate towards the world around them.
- **Scripture** – 1 Tim. 4:12; 2 Tim 2.15;
- **Community Prayer:** Prayer for those who are educated at GC in Shaftsburg, that we would teach them well, that they would know and love the truth.

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Church Offices/Leadership – 307, 308, or 310

- **Vision:** That the Lord would raise up leaders at Graham both now and in the future who love Jesus, love the people who attend, and are faithful to the Scriptures
 - **Scripture** – Mark 10.45; Acts 20.28
 - **Community Prayer:** Prayer for present and future leadership of GC in Shaftsbury that they would be faithful to God and true to Scripture.
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Activity Room, Fellowship Area, or Kitchen

- **Vision:** That God would make GC in Shaftsbury a church that is known for service both to the Graham community and to the community around them.
 - **Scripture:** 1 John 3.18; Gal 5.13-14
 - **Community Prayer:** That GC in Shaftsbury would be known as a church that loves to serve others.
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Near Any Outer Entrance Doors or Welcome Center

- **Vision:** That God would raise up a community of believers who passionately believe that the doors of the church lead us in to fellowship, but also out to the world where God has called us to seek and save the lost.
 - **Scripture:** 1 Pet 3.15; Matt 5.15-16
 - **Community Prayer:** That God would use GC in Shaftsbury to reach the community and then the world with the good news of Jesus Christ and him crucified.
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Adult Classrooms/Small groups – 301, 302, 303, 304

- **Vision:** That God would grow adults in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ.
- **Scripture:** 2 Pet. 3:18; Eph. 4:13-14
- **Community Prayer:** That God would spiritual grow GC in Shaftsbury with our relationship to God and to one another. Pray for unity and maturity.

Scriptures Used:

Auditorium/Worship

“Praise the LORD! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens! Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his excellent greatness! Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp! Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe! Praise him with sounding cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals! Let everything that has breath praise the LORD! Praise the LORD!” (Psalm 150:1–6, ESV)

“All the earth worships you and sings praises to you; they sing praises to your name.” Selah” (Ps. 66:4, ESV)

Sunday School/AWANA: Nursery – 8th grade

“Then children were brought to him that he might lay his hands on them and pray. The disciples rebuked the people, but Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven.”” (Matthew 19:13–14, ESV)

“And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.” (Deuteronomy 6:6–9, ESV)

Youth Group: 9th – 12th

“Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth.” (2 Timothy 2:15, ESV)

“Let no one despise you for your youth, but set the believers an example in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity.” (1 Timothy 4:12, ESV)

Church Offices/Leadership

“For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”” (Mark 10:45, ESV)

“Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood.” (Acts 20:28, ESV)

Activity Room, Fellowship Area, or Kitchen /Service

“Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.” (1 John 3:18, ESV)

“For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.”” (Galatians 5:13–14, ESV)

Outer Door/Outreach

“Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.” (Matthew 5:15–16, ESV)

“but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect,” (1 Peter 3:15, ESV)

Adult Classrooms/Small Groups

“But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity. Amen.” (2 Peter 3:18, ESV)

“until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes.” (Eph 4:13–14, ESV)

