

## Offertory Prayers

*It's good to vary prayers from time to time. This section offers a variety of resources for eucharistic and non-eucharistic worship, including some seasonal material.*

Generous God,  
creator, redeemer, sustainer,  
at your table we present this money,  
symbol of the work you have given us to do;  
use it, use us,  
in the service of your world  
to the glory of your name.  
Amen.

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation;  
through your goodness we have this money to  
offer, the fruit of our labour and of the skills you  
have given us.  
Take us and our possessions to do your work in the  
world.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

Let us pray.

**Gracious God, accept these gifts, and with them  
our lives,  
to be used in your service;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

O Lord, giver of life and source of freedom,  
I know that all I have received is from your hand.  
You call us to be stewards of Your abundance,  
the caretakers of all you have entrusted to us.  
Help us to always use Your gifts wisely and  
teach us to share them generously.  
May our faithful stewardship bear witness to  
the love of Jesus Christ in our lives. Amen.

*Archdiocese of Chicago*

God of life, saviour of the poor,  
receive with this money  
gratitude for your goodness,  
penitence for our pride  
and dedication to your service  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

God of all goodness and grace,  
receive the gifts we offer;  
and grant that our whole life  
may give you glory and praise;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

Lord Jesus,  
As you fed 5,000 from the gifts of a young boy, we  
pray that you will transform our gifts to spiritually  
feed many spiritually hungry people through the  
ministry and mission of this church. Amen.

Heavenly Father, you have given us riches  
beyond measure. We can only return a  
fraction of what we owe you; but we ask,  
Lord, that you will bless our offerings  
and help us to use them wisely in your  
service and for your glory. Amen.

*Church of Scotland*

## *Seasonal Material*

*In addition to the seasonal suggestions below, you may find David Bell's offertory prayers helpful at: [davidsbell.org/Offertory\\_Prayers.html](http://davidsbell.org/Offertory_Prayers.html)*

### *Advent*

God of our future,  
whose compassion is unlimited,  
all that we have is yours  
and to you we shall render account for all you have  
given us.

As we offer you these gifts we enjoy from your  
bounty, grant that we may live well, love gener-  
ously, and seek first your kingdom, on earth as in  
heaven, through Jesus Christ our most kind Judge  
and Saviour. Amen.

### *Epiphany*

Loving God, we follow the Magi in giving you gifts,  
praying that as you receive our acts of offering, you  
would shine the light of Christ in our hearts to lead  
us in lives which serve you more deeply. Amen

### *Passiontide*

God of grace, your limitless love gave us everything  
in Jesus, and through belief in him, you offer us life  
in your kingdom. Accept our gifts, but as we give,  
warm and soften our hearts to lead us into lives  
which reflect your generosity. Change us we pray.  
Amen.

### *Pentecost*

Holy Spirit, we thank you for coming upon the  
Church and inhabiting the lives of Christian disci-  
ples. We offer you these financial gifts in gratitude  
and to express our desire for all your gifts to us to  
bear your fruit in our lives.  
Amen.

### *Christmas*

Humble Lord,  
you surrendered the riches of heaven's palace  
for the poverty of Bethlehem's manger:  
as we offer you our gifts in thanksgiving for  
your gift,  
make us imitators of you in generosity and love,  
for the sake of the world you love so much,  
and for your Father's glory.  
Amen

### *Lent*

Lord God of all, accept our offering of money this  
day, but also the offering of our lives. Help us to  
live simply, generously and courageously, that our  
lives may point to you. Amen.

### *Easter*

Gracious God, through the resurrection of our  
Lord Jesus, you have given immeasurable grace  
to us. May our offerings reflect the grace we have  
received, and symbolise lives committed to the  
service of our risen Lord. Amen.

### *Harvest*

Heavenly Father, thank you for all the good things  
you continue to provide for us.  
Don't let us take your gifts for granted  
or abuse them.  
Instead, help us always to rely on you in faith.  
Use us and what you have given us  
for your good purposes.  
Amen. (*Church of Ireland*).