

On 12 December, the House of Bishops commended the Prayers of Love and Faith and associated [pastoral guidance](#) for use in regular public worship services with effect from Sunday, 17 December 2023.

The [Prayers of Love and Faith](#) are offered as resources in praying with and for a same-sex couple who love one another and who wish to give thanks for and mark that love in faith before God. To celebrate in God's presence the commitment two people have made to each other is an occasion for rejoicing. The texts are offered to express thanksgiving and hope, with prayer that those who are dedicating their life together to God may grow in faith, love and service as God's blessing rests upon them.

This suite of resources is one of the fruits of the Church of England's project, [Living in Love and Faith](#). It brings together a variety of liturgical resources in a desire to give thanks and praise to God for the gift of a loving relationship between two people, to mark their commitment to one another, and to pray with and for them. Recognising and celebrating the goods in faithful, committed same-sex relationships and seeking God's help and blessing in growing in faith, love and holiness, these prayers seek to help couples grow in holiness.

A Church Near You

During 2024, you will be able to use [A Church Near You](#), to find out which churches in your diocese will be including the Prayers of Love and Faith in their regular public worship services.

Resources

- [Prayers of Love and Faith](#)
- [Living in Love and Faith Pastoral Guidance](#)

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