

Praying with Prayer Beads?

Commonly, people think only the Catholics pray with prayer beads (so-called, "Rosary"). However, Christians have been praying with prayer beads for centuries. Tactile of prayer beads help us focus on prayer. Today, there are still some denominations using prayers beads; the Catholics (like I said earlier), the Anglican, and the Lutheran. If you want to know more about prayer beads, I recommend you to visit this website and read the article: http://kingofpeace.org/prayerbeads.htm.

I personally enjoy making prayer beads even though I am very ham-handed. It is fun to connect all the different shapes and colors of beads in a string. Moreover, it is a great joy to give a set of prayer beads to someone who you have been praying for. The prayer beads become a great reminder that they are remembered, loved, and prayed for by you. I have two prayer beads that I have received from my dearest friends. I have one in my office, and the other on my nightstand as a reminder of God's presence and unending love.

On Saturday, March 12, 1-2:30 PM, we will craft prayer beads. Rev. SoYoung Kim, pastor at Salem UMC in Barrington will be with us. All supplies will be provided. So come with empty hands. If you'd like to donate, \$10 would be appreciated. Location will be provided once you have RSVP at info@chicagotemple.org

All are welcome!

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