

Pray with us!

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 that by faithful administration and wise laws, the rights of all
 might be protected and our nation be enabled to fulfill your purposes;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
 [Book of Common Prayer, p. 822]

Election Prayer Vigil: Nov. 6-8

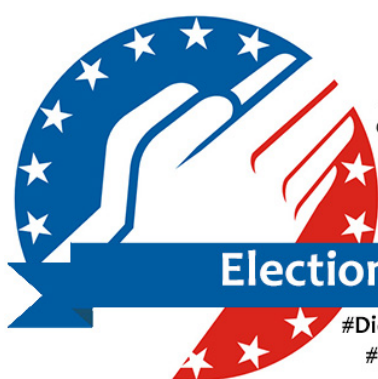
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