



The following prayer was offered by Pastor Stevens at the dedication of the new Police Patrol Station in downtown Allentown on June 17, 2011.

Prayer

Loving God, in gratitude

**for all who made this police patrol station possible,
we ask you to bless this building.**

May it be an instrument of justice

**for all the people of our community
and a symbol of safety and well-being for our city.**

We are thankful not only for this building,

**but for the people who will work here
and for the services they provide to the public.**

**We thank you for their dedication and their bravery
in serving and protecting us.**

Keep them safe and free from harm, we pray.

Watch over our city, gracious God.

Inspire all of us to work toward

**that vision of a city that is prosperous and at peace,
where we celebrate the gift of diversity,
and where people may live and worship,
work and play, in true community. Amen.**