

May 6 Intercessions EASTER 6

*We are to love one another as Jesus loves us.*

Knowing God's love and affection for us, let us pray to him now.

The congregational response, as printed in to-day's bulletin, is:  
Help us, Lord: **to love one another.**

Father, wherever there is friction and conflict in the Church, and communities are divided and weakened; give us a greater longing for your healing and a deeper commitment to forgiving love. (pause)  
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Father, wherever tangled political situations seem impossible to solve, wherever conflicting interests threaten peace; wherever the ears of the powerful remain insulated against the cries of the oppressed; give us ears to hear your guidance. (pause) Help us, Lord: **to love one another.**

Father, wherever families are dysfunctional or children are in danger; wherever the daily living conditions are damaging to health and self-respect; let your kingdom come. (pause) Help us, Lord: **to love one another.**

Father, wherever the ill and injured need comfort and assistance; wherever the elderly and housebound sit each day for hours alone; may we bring your love and help. Remembering our Alongsiders: Marjorie Armbrust Barbara Dinsmore

Jim Fowler Judy Johns Ruth Martin Alex McCrindle Connie McKinlay Cliff Molyneau  
Margaret O'Neil Shirley Peck Sue Pitchford Terry Reid Bety Richards

Marjorie & George Roberts Mary Strickland Madge Upcott Irene Wilson\_(pause)

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Father, wherever people are travelling that last journey of death, may they be surrounded by your love and welcomed into your heaven, and may those who mourn be comforted. (pause) Help us, Lord: **to love one another.**

Father, wherever the beauty of creation reflects your love, may our hearts be lifted to you in thanks and praise. **Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**