

Prayers of the People

Let us pray to God, the only giver of power for good. I invite you to respond to “Lord, in your mercy” with “**Hear our prayer.**”

May all who confess your name be faithful stewards of what has been entrusted to them. As we look for the coming of Christ, we pray that the Church on earth may always be ready to become one with the Church of the blessed in heaven.

[PAUSE]

Lord, in your mercy... **Hear our prayer.**

Where business is done in the world, drive out dishonesty and self-seeking. Bring all people the knowledge that this world is not the end. As we work for the present good, let our eyes be lifted to the future glory. [PAUSE]

Lord, in your mercy... **Hear our prayer.**

Draw into your service all in our community that they may work for the coming of the Kingdom. Shine your love on us, our families, and friends that we may live as children of the light. [PAUSE]

Lord, in your mercy... **Hear our prayer.**

Have mercy on those who have not fulfilled the best that is in them, hindered by self-doubt or circumstance. Rouse and equip them to be active in doing your will.

[PAUSE]

Lord, in your mercy... **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who have come to their last day and passed into new life Confident that waking or sleeping we are with Christ, we pray that we shall be always ready to hear his call. [PAUSE]

Lord, in your mercy... **Hear our prayer.**

That we may faithfully respond to the grace given to us, we offer our prayers in Jesus' name.

Amen