**The Prayers of the People**

*Priest*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

*Intercessor*

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

*Silence*

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

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Silence*

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

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Silence*

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

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Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours,

especially those observing birthdays this week:

John Wootton, Charlie Catalano, Bob Lipscomb, Dick Summers, Brier Sidor,

Andrew Schuering, Karen Sharp, Lilly Goff, Heather Hladky, Chuck Kiefe, and

Bill Rogler;

and those celebrating anniversaries:

Amy & Hank Conard, Winifred & Steve Crock, Rachel & Brett McCay,

Meghan & Alonzo Collins, and Danielle & Paul Pennel;

and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

*Silence*

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

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially those we now name either silently or aloud *(please allow 20-seconds of silence)*;

give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Silence*

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

We commend to your mercy all who have died *(please allow 10-seconds of silence)*,

that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with blessed John the Baptist, blessed Irenaeus, blessed Peter the Apostle, blessed Paul the Apostle, and all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

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

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*