**The Prayers of the People**

*Priest*

God calls us today to be open to the Word and to one another. Let us open ourselves to all the world in prayer, saying: Lord, have mercy.

*Intercessor*

For the church we pray:

for bishops: especially Justin, Michael, Wayne, and Daniel;

and for our clergy: Marvin, Paul, and Sue.

That we may bring God’s word of life to all in silence, darkness, and despair,

let us pray to the Lord.

*People*

**Lord, have mercy.**

For our congregation we pray:

for our staff, Wardens, and Vestry.

That we may grow into the mystery of God’s life among and in us,

let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the world we pray:

for Donald, our President; and Michael, our Governor.

That nations will come to cooperate for health and well-being of all,

let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For our community we pray.

That hospitals and nursing homes may be equipped to deal with our sick and dying,

let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

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For all in the healing professions we pray.

That those who search for cures and those who attend the sick may be strengthened for their tasks,

let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the sick and dying we pray *(please allow 20 seconds for the congregation’s intercessions).*

That all who have asked for our prayers may know the healing power of God,

and that those who die today may not die along,

let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For those observing birthdays this week:

James Hinrichs, Caitlin Hotra, Lance Kramer, Dee Dee Stone, Maxine Sharp,

Lenene Andre, Dick Gold, and Michael Spung;

and for those celebrating anniversaries:

Rita & George Podolsky, Hopey Gardner & Vishal Viswambharan,

and Jane and Michael Wyland;

Grant that we and they, like blessed Constance and her Companions,

blessed John, blessed Cyprian, and all the saints, may serve Christ, and love one another as he loves us,

let us pray to the Lord

**Lord, have mercy.**

For all mourners we pray *(please allow 10 seconds for the congregation’s intercessions).*

That all who grieve the coming of death may come to know life in the mercy of God,

let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*