

Prayers of the People

We offer our prayers in the presence of God, with whom we are in covenant to serve, and to obey, responding, “Lord, hear our prayer.”

+ In thanksgiving for a safe election in our divided nation, make us aware, O Lord, of our need to take up the ministry of reconciliation; let us pray.

Lord, hear our prayer.

+ That we may gather together as the children of God around one table, as one family, remembering especially Suheil, Archbishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem; Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Bartholomew, Patriarch of Constantinople; Francis, Bishop of Rome; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Ian and Laura, our Bishops; Geoffrey, our Priest, and all members of this congregation; let us pray.

Lord, hear our prayer.

+ Keep us ever watchful for the bridegroom’s arrival, shining through the faces of the poor and downtrodden, our children and their teachers, our health care providers, and essential workers, lest that in missing them, we may not see you; let us pray.

Lord, hear our prayer.

+ Place your wisdom in the heart and mind of the leaders of the nations of the world, especially Antonio, Secretary General of the United Nations, Donald our President, Ned our Governor, James, the First Selectman of the town of Washington, our Congress and our Courts, that the decisions they make may bring righteousness and justice to all peoples everywhere; let us pray.

Lord, hear our prayer.

+ That we may put aside any our anxiety and fear, trusting in your love and compassion; remembering especially the millions of Americans suffering in this pandemic, and especially those who have commended themselves to our prayers, Mary Jo Keating, Joan Beattie, Heather, Marlene Smith, Tom Witt, Ed and Zemma White, Kathy Coe, Laura Whipple, Eileen Hearn, Connie Kaylor, Jay Lafleur in hospice care, and all who are housebound especially Janet Chenery and Ken Hecken; let us pray.

Lord, hear our prayer.

+ For all the faithful departed, remembering especially Fr. George Crocker, who served our neighbors at St. Andrew's in Marbledale, and who died this week, and also the more than 230,000 Americans who have died in this pandemic, for their families, their friends, their communities, that they may rest in peace through the mercy of God; let us pray.

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As we await the coming of the Bridegroom, let us be attentive through the continuation of our prayers.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.