



**Prayers of the People
March 12, 2023
Third Sunday of Lent**

Sustained by God's abundant mercy, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

Pause for a moment of silence

Thank you God, Thank you for noticing our blindness and for sending us out to see you in the world. Help us to see where your people are hurt or hungry or tired and lead us so that we may share your love and comfort with them. May our eyes be open to your signs in our world today. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Sorry God, sorry when we focus on the traditions and rules that bring us comfort, instead of seeking and serving you. Where there is nervous energy, war, natural disasters, and a loss of hope among your people who can't see the good news, help our hearts to be grateful and our eyes to see your everyday blessings that remind us of your promise of everlasting life through Jesus Christ our savior. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

Please God, please send your Holy Spirit to enlighten the faith of your people who continue to serve in our community. Bring renewed healing and hope to those people who are struggling to live day to day, especially today we pray for your healing hand to be upon

Tracy, Brianna, Don, Dominic, Jacob, Paul, Donna, Janice, Connie, Bryan, Wayne & Judy, Rex, Lynne, Sasha, Dennis, Cathy and Des, Nici, Sue, Pam, Adam, Alex, Seth, Dale and Mary Ann, Chaz and Tracy, Hannah, Angela, Eddie, and Joyce.

We also pray for our friends and family who are home bound or in nursing homes, for those who suffer with mental illnesses and for those you put upon our hearts that we name out loud or silently.

Pause for a moment of silence

We pray Lord for this holy house of worship for your ministers and servants who love each other as you love us. Set our gaze upon things eternal, that in thanksgiving for your mercy, we may share your light with all people. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your steadfast love and your promise to renew your whole creation; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen