



**Prayers of the People**  
**May 7, 2023**  
**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*Pause for a moment of silence*

Thank you God, Thank you for sending Jesus be our filter for the lumps in our pudding. Thank you for taking our worries, our hurts and our fears, and restoring new life in us all. Hear us, O God, **your mercy is great.**

Sorry God, Sorry when we focus on the fears and worries that come into our lives. Sorry when we try to smash our lumps fear, of worry, of what we think others want and guide us to you. Release our grip on those things we cannot control and lead us to your life giving gifts. Where your people in Haiti, Syria, and Palestine wait and pray for justice, we wait and pray with them. Where your people in our community wait and pray for a safe place to live, for a good job, for a cure, we wait and pray with them, trusting you are our only protector. Hear us, O God, **your mercy is great.**

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

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. Hear us, O God, **your mercy is great.**

Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

**Amen**