

Lord thank you that you in all the difficulties of life that we can come in prayer to you, that you always are there to listen , that when we are prepared to let go and put our trust in you, you can transform the situation and us, though not always in the way we expect but we know that you will ultimately bless us.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer

We thank you for and pray for the young people in our church for their well being in these difficult times. We pray that they may grow in their knowledge and love for you. We pray that you would give them wisdom as they negotiate all the pressures of the world. Be their guide in all that they do and may we encourage them to develop their ministry amongst us.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer.

We pray for our government at this time as they continue work to lead us out of the current crisis. May they have wisdom, integrity and be mindful of the needs of the vulnerable, both due to health and economics. May they make decisions to help us build a more equitable society in this country where homelessness and lack of food no longer exist. As we listen to you, we ask that your spirit would reveal to us how we should use our joint resources and individual gifts and abilities to meet the needs in our own community for we know you have a heart for the poor.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer

On behalf of those in our church and those known personally to us suffering illness at this time. We ask for peace and an awareness of your presence in their suffering and we ask for their healing and restoration. We thank you for answered prayer but we continue to cry out to you for those still in need of healing.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer

Lord we long to be together as your people to give you our corporate praise and worship, and enjoy fellowship together but we recognise the challenges. We ask that you give all those in our church making the decisions on the gradual reopening of the church wisdom as they guide us out of the current situation.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer

Lord help us to celebrate diversity in your church that we might have unity without uniformity, come holy spirit and break down any barriers, enable us to be ourselves as we praise and worship you and to recognise the gifts and abilities you have given to all to use in your service. May we each day in our actions and words be a blessing to others.

Merciful father accept these prayers for the sake of your Son our saviour Jesus Christ Amen.