

Loving Father,

We thank you for allowing us to come together as a community to worship your name and embrace your love. We pray for those who are unable to see their church family. Let them see the light in these uncertain times and give them hope as we journey together through you. Help them to know your love in times of sadness or frustration.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer

Our heavenly father,

We pray for those among us who are suffering or hurting. We lift them up to you and ask that you would bless, heal, strengthen and comfort them in this time of need. May your peace fill their hearts with joy and reassurance. We ask that you enlighten them of the great love you have for them.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

God of hope,

We specifically pray for those in nursing and care homes. At this time, we know there is so much fear. We pray you calm the storms, ease the anxiety and send your armour of love to protect them. We give thanks and praise for the families, carers and medical teams who are doing their best to keep our older, most vulnerable generation safe.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer

Gracious God,

We thank you for the giving teachers and school staff who are offering their knowledge to support students at this time. We pray that you will help those who are taking exams next year, that you will fill them with your unconditional love and offer support by spreading your joy and hope within them. We bring before you those children making the decision about secondary schools during this month. We pray you give them guidance in making the best choices for themselves at this time.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

God of wisdom,

We pray for your spread of knowledge as world leaders make difficult decisions. We ask you help them make the best and most safe choice in hope that death rates will drop, and we are able to get back to some kind of normality.

Help us to see a brighter side to this stressful and unwanted time. We lift to you, those who are currently struggling or know of someone who is needing to feel you close. (8 seconds of silence)

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer

May your light shine on us this day. May we feel your love. May we settle in our hearts the peace that only you can bring and may we reflect your light, love and peace as we walk through our lives with you by our side.

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