

Our Heavenly Father,

As we come into your presence to pray, we thank you for the privilege we have to meet together.

We give you thanks that you have opened your heart to greet us this morning. We are called to be your glorious inclusive church & so join together as your family to worship you.

Lord in Your Mercy.... hear our prayers

Father, we lift up before you, our world.

We give you thanks for its beauty, for Your wonderful provision & everything you've made within it. Yet..... we haven't been the best custodians & continue to contaminate it with pollution, destroy it with our selfish ways & our greed. Help us Father God to do what we can within our own sphere of ability.

God of Peace, you know there is so much division in the world, we especially bring to your throne of grace, the atrocities which are happening in Ukraine. We pray for its people & for those who have fled to safety. Lord in your mighty power bring peace, bring compromise & bring reconciliation. May your grace abound so that nations may live in harmony with their neighbours & for trust to be earned by those in power.

We bring before you, our nation. We pray that for the good of our country, a satisfactory solution can be found to the present political & financial turmoil.

Lord in your mercy...Hear our prayers

Almighty God, we pray for your church. Direct our hearts & help us to honour you with our very being & to be the best witnesses within the life & ministry of this church.

Father God, this building has been a source of your blessing for so many people over so many years. We ask for your favour to remain upon us as we raise money to pay for essential works so we can continue to reach out into our community.

Lord in your mercy...Hear our prayers

Gracious Lord in a moment of silent prayer, we pray for those whom we know who are struggling at this time. We bring before you those who joined us at our Baby Loss service yesterday. Loving God, into your caring hands we place all who are mourning the loss of loved ones (short pause)

We ask for an assurance of Your presence, for perseverance in our time of distress & a sense of your peace when we don't have the answers.

These Lord, are the prayers of your people.

By your grace Lord Jesus, we are healed.

By your grace Lord Jesus, we are set free & welcomed into your kingdom.

Shine your light of love into our hearts & provide to us a greater desire for your presence.

Merciful Father

Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our saviour Jesus Christ,

Amen

Let's pray together using the prayer Jesus taught us.

Our Father,

Who art in heaven

Hallowed be your name

Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation but deliver from evil
For yours is the kingdom
The power & the glory,
Forever & ever. Amen