

Noon Prayers Friday 8 May through Friday 15 May 2020

Noon Prayer for Friday 8 May 2020

For today let us pray the Serenity Prayer written by theologian Reinhold Niebuhr.

God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference.

In Jesus' name we pray.

Noon Prayer for Saturday 9 May 2020

Gracious and Loving God,

Today we pray for all the business owners and independent contractors who are not working and are losing money every day. Give them your comfort and your strength. Help us to be helpful by supporting the businesses we can now and to remembering all the businesses when we can in the future. Be with all those who are struggling this day, give them your healing touch, your comfort, and your guidance. In Jesus' name we pray.

Noon Prayer for Sunday 10 May 2020

Today we pray the prayers from Sunday's and Seasons that we would have used with our worship

## Prayers of Intercession

Uplifted by the promised hope of healing and resurrection, we join the people of God in all times and places in praying for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

Build us up, mothering God, as living stones united in your spiritual house. Continually strengthen your church as it is sent forth to proclaim your love. We pray especially for new congregations and those in redevelopment. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Humble us, creator God, as part of your creation. Fill us with respect and awe for the world you have made, including volcanoes, ocean currents, tropical rainstorms, glaciers, and other forces that both destroy and create. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Align our ways to your love, O God. We pray for countries, leaders, and other organizations as they prepare places for those seeking refuge and safety (*aid organizations may be named*). Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

God of healing and rest, help those whose hearts are heavy and weighed down by many troubles. Comfort their suffering, ease their distress, and carry their burdens (*especially*). Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Nurturing God, we pray for those who tend and teach young children, for the safe pregnancies of expectant parents, and for families who struggle with infertility and miscarriage. We give thanks for all who have shown mothering care, and we remember all for whom this day is difficult. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

Generous God, you call into your brilliant light all who have died. Give us faith to take hold of the promise of your eternal life. Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

With bold confidence in your love, almighty God, we place all for whom we pray into your eternal care; through Christ our Lord.

#### Noon Prayer for Monday 11 May 2020

Healing God,

We pray for all who are ill this day. For those with COVID-19, for those with cancer, those with heart disease, those with diabetes, those with orthopedic issues, those with any sickness physical or mental or spiritual. Send your healing and comforting touch upon them and their loved ones and their care providers. Bless those who are studying to be health care professionals and those who are helping them learn the practice of medicine. Shower us with your loving care and guidance. In Jesus' name we pray.

#### Noon Prayer for Tuesday 12 May 2020

Creating God,

We give you thanks for the beauty of your creation and the gift of each other. Help us to be good stewards of all you have blessed us with in this life. May we be gentler to the environment and kinder toward each other. Fill our hearts with gratitude and love for you and all others. Grant us your daily forgiveness and grant us your peace. In Jesus' name we pray.

#### Noon Prayer for Wednesday, May 13, 2020

Let us join in solidarity with those around the world by praying the Lord's Prayer at noon this day.

#### Noon Prayer for Thursday, May 14, 2020

God of All,

Today we ask you to be with all first responders and those who support them behind the scenes. We give you thanks that there are people who are willing to put their life on the line for us. Give them your protection and blessing as they serve each and every day. Bless their families and loved ones and give them your comfort while they are away from each other. In Jesus' name.

#### Noon Prayer for Friday, May 15, 2020

Gracious and Loving God,

Today we ask your protection and blessings upon those who serve in our military. We pray for their families, especially when they are separated. Support our military as they train and carry out missions. Grant them your safety and your guidance. Give them wisdom that keeps them safe and grant our leaders with your guidance as they make military decisions. We give you thanks for all who served and for those who gave the ultimate sacrifice for our freedoms. We pray for those who returned from active duty with wounds, those who succumbed to diseases because of their service and those who are still struggling. In Jesus' name we pray.