

Noon Prayers Sunday 24 May through Sunday 31 May 2020

Noon Prayers for Sunday, May 24, 2020

Today we pray the prayers of intercession from Sundays and Seasons that we would have used in 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.

O God, call your people to be one, as you are one. Unite your church in the truth of your gospel, the love of our neighbor, and the call to proclaim your reign to all people. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Breathe life into your creation. Guide your people as we explore the mysteries of the universe. We pray for the work of scientists and mathematicians whose skill enriches our understanding (*like Nicholas Copernicus and Leonard Euler, whom the church commemorates today*). Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Make your justice known among the nations of the earth. Protect the vulnerable (*especially in nations currently in crisis*). Redirect those who use violence and greed as weapons. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Come to the aid of your children. We pray for those engulfed in grief, those without supportive families, and for all who are isolated, powerless, or afraid, that all may rest their anxieties in your care. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Give courage to all who embark on new ventures. We especially remember this day those who risked their lives to serve in our armed forces. Grant safety to those serving at home or abroad, and assure them of your never-failing strength. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Raise all your saints to eternal life. Until that day, we give you thanks for the faithful examples of those who have listened to your voice and now rest in you. 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.

Monday 25 May 2020 Noon Prayers

God of Comfort,

On this Memorial Day we pray for all our military and we are especially grateful for those who gave the ultimate sacrifice for our freedoms and our country. Be with loved ones who mourn their loss. We remember those to who came home from their military deployment but later died as a result of their service. We are grateful that they were able to return and enjoy life and, in many cases, have spouses and children. Be with all who grieve and all who are still struggling. Give comfort and hope to those service members who are living daily with the effects of their service. In Jesus' name we pray.

Tuesday 26 May 2020 Noon Prayer

Today's prayer is taken from Evangelical Lutheran Worship, prayer for national distress

Eternal God, amid all the turmoil and changes of the world your love is steadfast and your strength never fails. In this time of danger and trouble, be to us a sure guardian and rock of defense. Guide the leaders of our nation with your wisdom, comfort those in distress, and grant us courage and hope to face the future; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Wednesday 27 May 2020 Noon Prayer

Noon Prayer for Wednesday, May 27, 2020

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

Thursday 28 May Noon Prayer

Today's prayer is taken from Evangelical Lutheran Worship, prayer for social justice

Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may move every human heart; that barriers dividing us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; and that, with our divisions healed, we might live in justice and peace, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Friday 29 May Noon Prayer

Gracious and Loving God,

We give thanks for all the blessings you have given us. Today we pray especially for our children and youth. In the midst of this pandemic so much has been taken away from them. The opportunity to gather in person, going to school and all the extracurricular activities associated with school, and now many cherished summer activities like swimming and camps are no longer available. Give them your comfort, your encouragement, and your creativity to endure the summer months. In Jesus' name we pray.

Saturday 30 May Noon Prayer

Gracious and Creating God

You have formed us into the body of Christ to share your love with all the world. We give you thanks that you have brought our three communities of faith together. We give you thanks for the relationships we are forming and the ways that we are working together. As our leaders meet today, give them your wisdom, guidance, and strength to boldly move forward in partnership. In Jesus' name we pray.

Sunday 31 May Noon Prayer

Today we pray the prayers of intercession from Sundays and Seasons that we would have prayed in 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.

We call on your spirit of unity, giving thanks for our different vocations. Activate and utilize the diverse gifts present in your church, that they reveal your love for all. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We call on your spirit of life, present in air, wind, humidity, storms, and oxygen in our atmosphere, breathing energy into all things. Heal with your breath the whole creation, especially those who struggle to breathe due to air pollution. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We call on your spirit of righteousness. Wherever we as a people are divided, unite us. Wherever we are prideful, humble us. Give each one of us a heart for justice and empathy. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We call on your spirit of healing. Bless nurses, doctors, midwives, chaplains, counselors, and hospice workers as they care for those in need. We pray for all who long for comfort (*especially*). Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We call on your spirit of friendship. As Elizabeth welcomed Mary to her home, give us a spirit of welcome to those whom we meet in this congregation and outside these doors. Surprise us daily with unexpected grace, that we rejoice in every blessing you send. Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We call on your spirit of hope. As you have led your saints in all times and places, stir in us the desire to follow their example, leading us from death to new life in you. 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.