

**Prayers of the People  
Maundy Thursday  
April 14, 2022**

On this night, the Lord Jesus was handed over to sinners. Let us pray to God the Father on behalf of all for whom he died, saying: God, who washed us in the blood of your Son, **have mercy on us.**

Clarify your church's insight into your presence in the world, and enable every human being to see in our fellowship the sign of your new covenant. God, who washed us in the blood of your Son, **have mercy on us.**

Teach our national and local leaders the power of humility, and enable them to work selflessly for the good of all. God, who washed us in the blood of your Son, **have mercy on us.**

Reconcile the divided Christian churches and grant peace to nations and religious groups hostile to one another. God, who washed us in the blood of your Son, **have mercy on us.**

Come to the aid of the earth's starving peoples and give them their rightful share of the food you lavish on all your creatures. God, who washed us in the blood of your Son, **have mercy on us.**

Heal the bodies of the wounded and diseased especially those on the Ascension Prayer Cycle. Heal the hearts of those betrayed by their loved ones. God, who washed us in the blood of your Son, **have mercy on us.**

In thanksgiving for the saints and martyrs and for all the faithful departed who join us at your table of grace. God, who washed us in the blood of your Son, **have mercy on us.**

Forgive the sins of those gathered who call on you; let the bread we break and the cup we drink save us from evil and free us to obey your word. God, who washed us in the blood of your Son, **have mercy on us.**

**Pray Together**

**Loving God, raise up peace-talkers, peace-doers and peace-makers, who are not afraid to speak out against this world's injustices, but above all want an end to bloodshed and destruction, and see peaceful resolution, fueled by your love and grace, replacing the harmful rhetoric, that leads to war. Amen.**

**God our Savior, hear the prayers for your family gathered to proclaim the death of your Son until he comes. Pour forth on all humankind your blessings of life, harmony and true freedom through Christ our Lord.**

