

Prayers of the People
3rd of Easter
May 5, 2022

In this Eastertide the hosts of heaven proclaim, “Worthy is the lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honour and glory and blessing.” Therefore, I invite you, who join the worship of the Lamb with the angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, to pray for all for whom he died, saying: Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty and merciful God, you exalted your Son as Leader and Saviour, and raised him above all rule and authority. Give your faithful people courage to follow him in obedience to you wherever we are called to witness. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

As the disciples of Jesus ventured out at his word, so give us the faith to trust and obey his word in our lives as we pursue together the mission of the church. We pray for Samuel our Bishop, for the parishes of Gander Bay, The Good Shepherd, and for the Anglican Church in Kenya. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

As the disciples of Jesus shared food with their Master, so give us the generosity to share what we have with those in need. We remember all food banks, soup kitchens, hostels and shelters, and for those who work and volunteer ministering to the needs of others. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

As Jesus commanded Peter to feed his sheep, so strengthen all the clergy to preach the gospel and administer the sacraments with faithfulness and conviction. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

As the disciples shared a meal with the risen Lord, so by your Holy Spirit bring us in faith to the table of the Lord where we may feast on him who is our priest and victim. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

As Jesus healed the sick and prayed with those who were suffering, may we pray for those in our family and friends especially those on the Ascension Prayer Cycle. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bring us at last with all the saints to the adoration of the Lamb who was slain, especially we remember Frank Tiller. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Pray Together

Loving God, we do not know why anyone should feel they have a given right, through senseless violence, to end the lives of others and sow such grief and pain. But of this we are certain, it does not come from you. Be close to all who grieve, ease the suffering of those affected by such atrocities, and through love shown and sown through communities, bring an increasing measure of healing and peace. Amen.

To the one who sits upon the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honour and glory and might forever and ever. Amen.

ASCENSION PRAYER CYCLE: Aden, Alexa, Ambrose, Amelia, Amy, Angela, Ann, Annie, Arlene, Aubrey, Audrey, Barbara, Bertha, Brenda, Brian, Brittany, Brandon, Callum, Carl, Cathy, Christina, Cindy, Claire, Clarence, Connie, Debra, Delilah, Dennis, Derrick, Don, Donna, Doreen, Dot, Douglas, Dulcie, Ed, Baby Edward, Edie, Elaine, Emily, Erin, Evelyn, Finnley, Frederick, Fred, Frank, Flo, Garrett, Gary, George, Gerald, Harry, Ike, Ina, Ingrid, Ira, Jack, Janet, Jason, Jenny, Josephine, Joan, Junior, Kent, Kevin, Kim, Laura, Leo, Leonie, Lori, Louise, Luke, Marie, Marsha, Marion, Marylou, Maxwell, Melvin, Michael, Michelle, Mike, Mona, Nancy, Nicole, Oskar, Pam, Peter, Randell, Rochelle, Rodney, Rose, Ruth, Sadie, Sam, Sean, Shirley, Stephen, Susan, Tina, Terry, Todd, Tom, Tony, Valerie, Wayne and Warrick.