

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Prayers of the People for Time after Pentecost 2023

For the Church: may she follow Jesus in feeding the hungry, forgiving sinners, freeing the oppressed, and loving the outcast. ...let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

For the ministers of the church: may they find joy in their work, refreshment in their rest, and willing hands to help them in their labors...let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

For political leaders, law enforcement, and courts of justice around the world: may they protect the most vulnerable in every society and place...let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

For children at home this summer: may they be peaceful and safe. For travelers and those on vacation: may they find and greet Christ in everyone they meet. And for those who work in the heat: may they be safe...let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

For this congregation: may we by our life and witness be worthy to bear the name of Jesus. And for those who are sick and dying among us: may they know the mercy and hope of Jesus...let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

For those who have died: may they find peace, rest, and joy...let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*