

Prayers of the Church

Maundy Thursday

A: We come together around your word and sacrament as the family of God. Therefore, let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Let us pray for the Church, the body of Christ, that we may experience our unity with the Lord and one another in His holy Sacrament. Lord in your mercy . . .

Let us pray for ourselves that we may be faithful to the covenant God made with us in baptism. Lord in your mercy . . .

Let us pray for a world threatened by terrorism, war, oppression, corruption, and random acts of violence, that the peace of the gospel may reach to every person. Lord in your mercy . . .

Let us pray for those who betray others, that they might find repentance. And let us pray for those who are betrayed, that they might find healing. Lord in your mercy . . .

Let us pray for those who are unjustly arrested, convicted and punished. Help us to support those who suffer persecution for the name of Christ. Lord in your mercy . . .

Let us pray for those who seek better health, and for those who mourn in this season, especially Messiah members Beth Martin, Dick Miller, Dorothy Martin, Gordon Ebright, John Lentz, Karen Fox, Marion Bowman, Nick Adams; and our friends Abigail, Barry, Betsy, Bill & Janet, Brian & Cindy, Charlie, Daniel, Doug, Glen, Harry, Karen, Kristin, Mark, Mark, Matthew, Mikey, Peter, Randy & Dottie, Roberta, Ruth, Sandy, Scott, Sharon, Pastor Ted, and those we name in our hearts (*pause for 30 seconds. . .*) That they might find hope and peace in the resurrection. Lord in your mercy . . .

Almighty God, we recall the wonders you worked for your people Israel in delivering them from slavery in Egypt. We recall the suffering of your Son, which bought our redemption, delivering us from sin and death. Hear us as we commend all for whom we pray to your loving mercy and your mighty power, in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN