

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs that each may in wisdom live their lives as members of the body of Christ.

O Lord, Your Son's cross and crucifixion is folly to the world, but it is the source of repentance and forgiveness for all His believers. Preserve the preaching of the cross, that from this life-giving tree we would continually receive Your faith-preserving gifts. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gracious Lord, remember in mercy all pastors and servants of Your Church, and guide us to bring more to become professional church workers and enable all by Your Spirit to proclaim the wisdom of the cross. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Father in heaven, look with favor on the households of this congregation, and grant that all may live in love that issues from a pure heart, a good conscience and a sincere faith. We especially ask for all married to receive your daily blessing. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Ruler of the nations, bring an end to war, hatred and bloodshed and political division as well as the loss of polite discussion, that all people would know Your peace, love and justice. Protect those who serve in our armed forces, even as they labor to protect us. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Loving Father, we commend to You all who have requested intercessions *especially Colten, Doe and Vicki, Jan and Justin, Jeanie, Skip, Charles and Gary. Continue to bless baby Dottie. Grant Maureen's medical team to determine the best treatment for the infection in her heart. Strengthen Howard as he rehabilitates. Guide Steve Pennington's therapists now that he is home as well his doctors and be with those we name now in our hearts...* Be near to them, and grant them a happy issue out of their troubles. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Merciful God, the fall of Adam closed the way to the Tree of Life, but the death of Christ on the tree of the cross has opened to us the way of everlasting life. Give us the fruit of His cross through you Supper which is Your forgiveness, life and salvation. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

All this we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Through Him, with Him and in Him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is Yours, forever and ever. **Amen.**