

Prayers 22nd November

Morning Prayer

Praise you Father Almighty for the never failing love you show us in Christ Jesus. For the hope that warms our hearts through everything life brings and faith that glimpses through what is seen to things eternal. Praise you Father Praise your Holy Name

Lord hear us Lord graciously hear us

We pray for our village community, that you will give us courage to speak out and not be silent when an opportunity arises to show your love and the hope we have in you to those we meet. May we be channels of your blessing to them.

Lord hear us Lord graciously hear us

We pray for our nation at this crossroad of change. Strengthen our leaders, give grace to each political persuasion to see a way to unite for the good of the country and not to lose confidence but look up for the right way to the answers for our nation's future position.

Lord hear us Lord graciously hear us

We commend to you Lord the nations of the world that are enduring hard times through famine, disease, destruction of habitat; through flooding, fire and other catastrophies. Give courage to the people suffering in this way and generosity to us in whatever way we are able

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Pray for Nations in conflict may peace be their aim and that America at this time may listen to the doves of peace in the situation with Saudi Arabia and Iran and bordering countries that they may lead peaceable lives

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We pray for ourselves at St Lawrence and other Christian groups that we join with. We claim the promise in Philippians 1:6 that the good work he has begun in us he will continue until the day of Jesus Christ. To give vision to our planning, wisdom to our actions joy to our worship so that the church will grow

and we will strengthen our spiritual commitment to you and in service to the local community.

In our personal gifts and possessions help us to be faithful in however much we have, mindful that these are your gifts for use in your service

For the sick and those that are lonely or depressed. Lord you are in all places and times. Pour the balm of your presence on all who feel there is no human comfort for them. And for the sick we pray, may they know your healing touch

Especially we pray for:

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And be with those who mourn the loss of.....

Remember the slenderness of the thread separating life from death and the suddenness with which it can be broken. Help us to remember that on both sides of that division we are surrounded by your love.

So we bring all these prayers to you our faithful loving God and Father. May your face shine on us and be gracious to us and your hand be there to hold us in the darkness. May your way protect us, Your strength pilot us, your wisdom guide us as we move into this week ahead.

And all these prayers we ask in and through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen

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