

Prayers of the People May 6, 2018 Year B John 15 9-17

To the words Loving God, we reply Hear our Prayer

We pray for the church; guide and govern it with your spirit. We pray for all denominations that we may love one another in practice as well as prayer. Bless all joint ventures in worship, friendship and service to the community.

Loving God

Hear our prayer

We pray for the leaders of the world that they may be given insight and integrity to govern wisely and be fully aware of the needs of the people. May they resist abuse of power.

Loving God

Hear our prayer

We pray for areas of the world where there is danger, persecution and terrorism. Defend the vulnerable. O God, in our wilderness times, support us. Grant us the strength to stand against evil in all its forms.

Loving God

Hear our prayer

Compassionate God, give your strength and healing to all those who are ill, sad or lonely. We pray for them now silently and aloud.

Loving God

Hear our prayer

We thank you that not even death can separate us from you. We pray now silently or aloud for those who have died and for those who mourn.

Loving God

Hear our Prayer

We pray now for ourselves and all that we do this week, that we follow your commandment to love one another so that we may remain in your love. Let us look ahead and outwards with enthusiasm to follow the rule of life and the rule of love.

Loving god.

Hear our prayer

God looks at us and seeks us
Wanting only our love and mercy shared
We are so busy, busy with war, oil, bottom lines,
While glaciers melt and ozone withers.
God says, I am your living God and you are my cherished ones. (Adapted from Psalm 14)