

Prayers of the People for May 24, 2020

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God, we pray for Your church throughout the world today as we celebrate the Ascension of Christ. We give You thanks and praise for sending Your Son Jesus the Christ to teach us about You and Your great love for us. Help us to spread the Gospel that all may know You.

God of Love and Compassion, hear our prayer.

We pray for Christ Church Gabriola, all our local churches, our presbytery and our diocese at this time. Help us as we adapt to new forms of services and help us to serve those around us.

God of Love and Compassion, hear our prayer.

We give thanks that Sally has stepped up to lead us in our service today and for the excellent presentation from our Visioning Team. We ask Your blessing as we consider this report on May 28 and 29.

God of Love and Compassion, hear our prayer.

We give thanks for Elizabeth, our Queen. Her messages bring hope through these trying times.

God of Love and Compassion, hear our prayer.

We pray for our governments and their ministries as they try to cope with our COVID-19 pandemic. Guide them through this time of trial and help with solutions to aid our population.

God of Love and Compassion, hear our prayer.

We hold before You those suffering from COVID-19, natural disasters, tornados and floods. God, be their sustainer.

God of Love and Compassion, hear our prayer.

God we ask that Your healing touch be upon any suffering in mind, body or spirit. We pray for the lonely, the aged, the front line workers, addicts, prisoners, those in isolation, and the sick. We name them aloud or in the silence of our hearts. PAUSE

God of Love and Compassion, hear our prayer.

We pray for those who have died in the peace of Christ. We name them now aloud or in the silence of our hearts. PAUSE We pray for those known to You alone. May they rest in peace. Sustain those who mourn.

God of Love and Compassion, hear our prayer.

Gracious God, You have heard the prayers of Your faithful people; You know our needs before we ask, and our ignorance in asking. Grant our requests as may be best for us. This we ask in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

