

A PRAYER AND LITANY FOR GLOBAL JUSTICE AND PEACE

- Leader:** In the Spirit of God and Ubuntu, we pray for the strength of heart and mind to look beyond ourselves and address the needs of our brothers and sisters throughout this nation and the world.
- Assembly:** **God of generosity and compassion,
Hear our prayer.**
- Leader:** We pray for all the children and families who have been victims of the senseless gun violence in America and violence and war throughout the world; we share in the burden of their mourning.
- Assembly:** **God of comfort and healing,
Hear our prayer.**
- Leader:** We pray that the Holy Spirit may embrace the most vulnerable members of our society; the sick, the aged and the infirm; refugees, and pilgrims in our midst. We pray also for an end to the growing disparity between the rich and poor; and for the grace and courage to strive for economic justice.
- Assembly:** **God of all gifts and blessings,
Hear our prayer.**
- Leader:** We pray for all prisoners and captives; that a spirit of mercy and forgiveness may replace vengeance and retribution.
- Assembly:** **God of absolution and mercy,
Hear our prayer.**
- Leader:** We pray for an end to prejudice, racism, sexism, and all other forms of discrimination throughout our country and the world;
- Assembly:** **God of fellowship and equality,
Hear our prayer.**
- Leader:** We pray for all nations, that all people may know justice and enjoy the perfect freedom that only God can give.
- Assembly:** **God of liberty and freedom,
Hear our prayer.**
- Leader:** We pray for continued blessings on all peacemakers, on leaders who value peace, and on everyone who promotes nonviolent solutions to conflict.
- Assembly:** **God of peace and gentleness,
Hear our prayer.**
- Leader:** We pray for a reverence of creation; and that we will become better stewards of all that has been entrusted to us.

Assembly: God of nature and the universe,
Hear our prayer.

Leader: We pray for the reconciliation of all people, and for the Church throughout the world, that it may be an instrument of your healing love.

Assembly: God of eternal life and resurrecting love,
Hear our prayer.

All: Almighty God, you have promised to hear what we ask in the name of your Son. Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

AMEN.

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