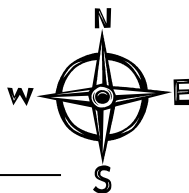


Prayer Points



As we head into the summer months, let's take some time think about national and international issues that need prayer....

Prayers for Peace and Justice

We pray for leaders around the world, that they may be guided by wisdom and integrity to bring about peace.

We particularly pray for the people of Ukraine and all those caught up in violence, that they may know God's peace and presence in these dark times.

We pray for all those who are suffering because of conflict and injustice in their countries, such as those in Sierra Leone, Afghanistan, Syria and Ethiopia.

Lord, fill us with your compassion and love, that we may be moved to help and reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need.

Prayers for our Nation

Turning now to the needs of our own country:

We pray for our government and for those recently elected to serve more locally, that they would make good and just decisions and seek to right injustice and support those who are poor, disadvantaged or forgotten.

We pray particularly for Christians in public office, that their faith will grow and that they will be salt and light to those around them.

Finally, we pray for the Queen as she celebrates her Platinum Jubilee:

*Gracious God, we give you thanks
for the reign of your servant Elizabeth our Queen,
and for the example of loving and faithful service
which she has shown among us.*

*Help us to follow her example of dedication
and to commit our lives to you and to one another,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

(Church of England Collect)

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