

Prayers of the People - Epiphany 5-C

To God whose glory fills heaven and earth, let us pray in the name of Christ who came among us as our Teacher and Master, saying: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For the Church, remembering especially Michael our Presiding Bishop and Kevin our bishop, that we may hear God's call to new possibilities for ministry and service, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For this Parish Family, that we who have been called to discipleship may share with others the joyful invitation to follow Christ, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For all who are discerning God's call, that they may have wisdom and insight to know the voice of Jesus and to understand what God is asking of them, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For peace, that God will turn hearts toward the road of peace and justice, so that we may let go of violence in our hearts, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For those in need of our prayers: especially children, the hungry and the homeless everywhere, and the sick and the suffering,that they may know the peace and grace of abundant life in Christ, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For those who have died, remembering especially....., that they may come at last to see the Lord enthroned in heaven's glory, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Lifting our voices with all creation, with Mary the God-bearer and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ. ***To you, O Lord our God.***

Celebrant: God of infinite glory, who cleanses our lips with the word of your Son, hear our prayers and sustain us with your Spirit, that through our witness your word may find an eager welcome and bear a rich harvest; through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.