

Prayers of the People - Easter - 3-C

Called by the risen Christ to love and follow the Lord, let us pray to God for the needs of all people everywhere, saying: *Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.*

For the Church, especially Michael our Presiding Bishop and Kevin our bishop, that like the fishing net of the gospel, we may be rich in diversity and unbroken in unity. ***Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.***

For this holy gathering, that casting our nets in faith and hope, we may know the risen Christ who prospers our work and prepares a table for us. ***Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.***

For peace in all places of conflict and violence, that God will guide the hearts and minds of all leaders to seek peace and pursue it. ***Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.***

For all who have died by violence, especially in Sri Lanka, Poway, and Charlotte, that God will welcome them to the place prepared for them, and give comfort to their families and communities. ***Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.***

For those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, remembering especially: that they may be clothed with health and joy. ***Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.***

For those who have died, remembering especially....., that their voices may blend with the song of all who surround the throne of the Lamb. ***Alleluia! Lord, hear our prayer.***

Lifting our voices with all creation, with Mary the God-bearer and all the saints who have borne witness to the Risen Christ, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ. ***Alleluia! To you, O Lord, we give praise and glory.***

Celebrant: Blessed are you, God of glory, and blessed is the Lamb who was slain. Hear the prayers we offer this day, and raise us with him to your throne in heaven. Glory to the Holy & Undivided Trinity, now and always and unto the ages of ages. AMEN.