

Prayers of Intercession
September 13, 2020

Responsive Sentence for the Sundays after Pentecost:

Assisting Minister: *Prince of Peace*
C **Come, Lord Jesus, come.**

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

a brief silence

Heavenly Father, we marvel with Joseph that you can bring good out of intended harm. Help us see your presence and purpose in all that comes upon us. *Prince of Peace....Come, Lord Jesus, come.*

Holy Spirit, remind us of God's benefits: the forgiving of our sins, the rescuing of our souls from the Pit, and your ever present steadfast love. *Prince of Peace....Come, Lord Jesus, come.*

Lord Jesus Christ, since we all belong to you, keep us from shunning one another when we quarrel over matters of faith and practice, for you love us all, and desire that we love one another. *Prince of Peace....Come, Lord Jesus, come.*

Lord Jesus Christ, forgiver of our every wrong, give us the power to forgive one another, painful as it may be. Help us also to forgive ourselves, that your death on the cross for our sin may not be in vain. *Prince of Peace....Come, Lord Jesus, come.*

We pray, Lord God, for the poor, for the weak in faith, and for those whose labors often seem to be in vain. Give us the eye to see beyond the boundary of this world, to hear your thank-you for honest labor, and to trust that you take note of all we try to give to you. *Prince of Peace....Come, Lord Jesus, come.*

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Resurrected Lord and Great Physician, we boldly bring before you those in need of your loving power. We pray for relief from the coronavirus plague, and for all those afflicted with it. We ask you to build a hedge of protection around all health care workers and first responders. Remember too those we name aloud or in silence:_____. *Prince of Peace....Come, Lord Jesus, come.*

We pray for the United States of America and for all our elected and appointed leaders, especially our President Donald, our Governor Tom, our Senators Bob and Pat, and our Representatives, Legislators, and local officials. May they be guided by your wisdom in all their decisions and actions and may we choose wisely as we prepare to cast our ballots. . *Prince of Peace....Come, Lord Jesus, come.*

Heal the brokenness and divisions in our land. Break down the barriers of race, party and whatever separates us from one another. Let justice roll down like rivers, and your peace fill our land. *Prince of Peace....Come, Lord Jesus, come.*

We continue to ask that your Holy Spirit visit our congregation as we begin anew the search for the pastor you have chosen to lead our congregation. We pray for Dr. King and his wife and ask you to guide them into the paths you have for them. Open the heart of the person you are calling to serve us at St. Timothy, to discern and respond favorably in your time. Grant us all patience, and help us during this time to grow in faith and discipleship. *Prince of Peace....Come, Lord Jesus, come.*

We Pray for the North American Lutheran Church, our Bishop Dan, our Dean David, our Interim Pastor and assistant Dean Steve, and for St. Luke Lutheran Church in Bloomsburg and all our congregations. Use us together as witnesses to Jesus, making disciples as our Lord commands. *Prince of Peace....Come, Lord Jesus, come.*

P Into your hands, Father, we commend all for whom we pray; trusting in your mercy, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.