

**Prayers of Intercession**  
**June 30, 2024**

Responsive Sentence for 6th Sunday after Pentecost:

Assisting Minister: *“Lord in your mercy.”*

C: *... “Hear our prayer.”*

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

*a brief silence*

Eternal God, you know the trials and tribulations we go through. You know how there are times when we think we cannot go on. But even in our darkest hours, you encourage us to hold on, to be patient, and to wait for your perfect timing. Help us to put our hope in you, even when we struggle to wait. *Lord in your mercy... Hear our prayer.*

God of love, like King David, we have made many grievous errors and sinful mistakes in our lives against you and against our neighbors. Grant us your mercy of forgiveness. Help us to forgive those who have caused us trouble, sorrow, and pain. *Lord in your mercy... Hear our prayer.*

Holy God, touch those who are experiencing any kind of need. Touch those who are ill with your healing hand. Release those whose hearts and minds are held captive by grief, depression, or loneliness. [we pray especially for ... we now name aloud or silently in our hearts].

Bring to all the freedom of your life-giving presence and healing mercy. *Lord in your mercy... Hear our prayer.*

Be with our nation and heal our divisions. We commend to you our President Joseph, our Governor Josh, and all who serve in elected or appointed positions in government. Together help us proclaim, "In God we trust!" Give all of us a heart for the most vulnerable, especially the pre-born, children, and the elderly, and draw us together in commitment to freedom, justice and peace. *Lord in your mercy... Hear our prayer.*

O Lord, shine a light on the path of peace in the darkness of war between Russia, Ukraine and Israel-Hamas. We pray for every mercy and grace to all victims of violence. Swiftly bring recovery and healing. *Lord in your mercy... Hear our prayer.*

We ask your blessing upon all congregations who proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ, and all pastors, especially for the N.A.L.C. and Emanuel Lutheran Church, State College, PA. Use us together as witnesses to Jesus, making disciples as our Lord commands. *Lord in your mercy... Hear our prayer.*