

## **Sunday 5 July – Fifth Sunday after Trinity**

### **Prayers written by Wendy Borgartz**

Let us pray for the church and the world and let us thank God for his goodness.

Lord God, we thank you for your compassion and mercy shown to all your creation. Your kingdom is everlasting and your dominion endures through all generations. We place into your hands, Lord, our broken and war-torn world. We pray for all those who work for peace in the world and ask for your wisdom and guidance for all world leaders. We pray for all leaders in our country, that they may listen to your ways and work together for the good of all in our nation.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Lord, we bring before you all those suffering as a result of the earthquakes in Venezuela, all who have lost loved ones or whose loved ones are still missing, those who have lost homes and livelihoods. We pray for the work of the rescue and aid agencies looking to bring help to all in need.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Father, we thank you for the food you give to us in all seasons, both physical and spiritual. We pray for all our churches here in Tiptree, that they may spread the good news of Jesus Christ to all peoples. We give thanks for our freedom to worship you and pray that you will give courage and strength to Christians in countries where they are not allowed to worship you freely.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Lord, we thank you for all those who help keep the life of this church running, especially those whose work goes largely unseen. We ask that you inspire the person you want to see come to be our new Team Rector to respond to the latest advertisement.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

As we come towards the end of the school year, we pray for all the young people in our villages. We ask for support and guidance for them all as they prepare to move to new classes, new schools, new colleges or universities, new training opportunities or the world of work. Help them to adapt well to the changes they face.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Father we know that you uphold all who are failing, and raise up all who are bowed down, whether in body, mind or spirit. We lift up to you all who are unwell, including from our own community Jericho Hasieber, Sarah, Andy and Jean and Graham Chislett, and in a moment of silence all who are on our own hearts today.... We pray that you will surround them all with your healing arms.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Lord, we thank you that nothing can separate us from your love, neither in life nor in death. We lift up to you all who are mourning the loss of a loved one at this time, either recently or in previous years. We bring before you today the family and friends of Diane, Peter Outen and, from our memorial book Elsie Marshall, Patricia Pinder, Derek Kirby, Felicia Kirby, Glenn Holmes, Stephen Thomas Clifford, Phyllis Corbet and Joan Wadley.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Lord, we praise you that yours is an everlasting kingdom and your dominion endures through all generations.

Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.