

PRAYERS FOR PEACE

Let us pray

Good and gracious God, let your peace rest so gently on our hearts and minds that we may have the strength to work for peace in our world today, tomorrow, and forever.

That each of us may know your peace in our hearts and share the gift of your peace with those around us, we pray:

God of peace, hear our prayer.

For all families, that they may experience your peace and love, we pray:

God of peace, hear our prayer.

For all our neighborhoods, that they may be places of respect and peace, we pray:

God of peace, hear our prayer.

For Asia, Australia, Europe, South America, North America, Africa, Antarctica, for all the nations all over the world; that they may know true peace and see an end to all abuse, violence and war, we pray

God of peace, hear our prayer.

All: O God, who would fold both heaven and earth in a single peace, let the design of your great love enlighten and heal the relationships in our world so torn by misunderstanding, violence and war. Give peace to your people, peace among nations, peace in our dwellings and peace in our hearts. Amen

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The UN Prayer – All together

God of compassion and mercy, we bring to you our divided society and broken world, seeking your healing and transforming grace. It is easy for us to point the finger at others, yet we know that we all need your forgiveness. So we lift into your presence today, not only the victims of our conflicts, but also those we have called enemies. Break down the walls of hatred, distrust and bitterness and open a way for us to reach one another in truth and love. Enable us to build a society where all can belong, to share our gifts in mutual respect and to seek for the new future which you offer us. Amen