

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION – MARCH 2, 2025

With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

The prayer prompt this morning is “God of grace”; your response is “**hear our prayer.**”

Transfiguring God, through the glory of your presence, you transform us. Move the church from complacency to boldness in sharing the good news with others. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

We pray for your creation. As seasons change, give patience and skill to all who tend to animals giving birth. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

We pray for all in leadership, especially for those who lead states, counties, and town councils. Give them wisdom to protect local resources so that all will flourish both now and in the years to come. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Bring your healing grace to those who feel distant from you. Speak comfort to those who need your words of mercy. Today we pray especially for Brett, Brent, ElRoy, Trisha, and Gina. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

We pray for areas of the world impacted by ongoing war, conflict, and violence, especially Ukraine, Palestine, Myanmar, and South Sudan; for refugees, migrants, and detained peoples around the world, including the deportation of Uyghurs out of Thailand; for Muslim neighbors preparing to begin observance of the holy month of Ramadan; for access to healthcare and for all who rely on government programs to maintain that access; for medical research and advances in public health; for Pope Francis, during his continued hospitalization; for congregations and their leaders as they prepare for the beginning of Lent; for the body of Christ in all its diversity; for Jesus’ Transfiguration and for all who seek to be seen and loved for who they are. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Holy God, mighty and immortal, you are beyond our knowing, yet we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. Transform us into the likeness of your Son, who renewed our humanity so that we may share in his divinity, Jesus Christ our Lord. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Holy Trinity, one God, you show us the splendor of diversity and the beauty of unity in your own divine life. Make us, who came from many nations with many languages, a united people that delights in our many different gifts. Defend our liberties, and give those whom we have entrusted with authority the spirit of wisdom, that there might be justice and peace in our land.

God of grace,

hear our prayer.

God of our past, present, and future, lead us into new beginnings, trusting in the promise of new life in Christ. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Prayer Request Box: Prayer request asking for extra prayers when going through trying times.
God Bless You. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Renewing God, the saints who have gone before us witnessed to the ways you transform your church and people. We give thanks for their example and pray we carry it forward. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among your people.
Amen.

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Readings:

First Reading:	Exodus 34:29-35
Responsive Psalm:	Psalm 99
Second Reading:	2 Cor. 3:12-4:2
Gospel:	Luke 9:28-36

Hymns:

Opening (Gathering Hymn):	ELW #838, Beautiful Savior, vs. 1-humm; sing vs. 2,4 –
DL 14:13	
Kyrie:	Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God (sing vs. 1,2; recite 3)
Hymn of the Day:	ELW #671 – Shine, Jesus, Shine, vs. 1 sing; vs. 2 - choir;
vs. 3 – sing vs. 2 – DL 15:11	
Closing (Sending) Hymn:	#ELW #815 – I want to Walk as a Child of the Light –
DL 5:4	