

**Prayer of the Church**  
**The Day of Pentecost**  
**23 May 2021**

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

Gracious Lord, Your Spirit fills the world and gladdens Your Church with the remembrance of all Christ Jesus has spoken. Comfort us with divine peace, and do not let our hearts be troubled or afraid. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, by Your Spirit You have established Your Holy Church on the proclamation of Christ, our Savior. Sustain the apostolic preaching to the ends of the earth, that in every tongue the mighty works of God in Christ may be heard. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Loving Father, come with Your Son and make Your home among us. Let Your Word bind families together, guide our life and conversation, and continue among us in each coming generation. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Great and Holy Father, You preserve this world for the sake of Your name, yet You frustrate the arrogant who live only for their own names. Give us good government that serves for the preservation of order, and preserve it from pride that exalts this earthly city to the heights of Your eternal kingdom. Grant peace in our time, but fix our hearts chiefly on Christ's true and lasting peace, which this world can never give. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We call on Your name, O Lord, praying in Your Spirit to help and save all. Renew the face of the earth, look with favor on Your creatures and fill the hearts of Your faithful, kindling in them the fire of Your love. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

By Your Holy Spirit, convict us of sin, of righteousness in Christ and of the judgments of Your Holy Word. Sanctify our hearts by the forgiveness of sins, and make us fit partakers of Christ's holy body and precious blood. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty Father, with Your Son, Jesus Christ, send Your Holy Spirit into our hearts through Your Word to rule and govern us according to Your will, comfort us in every temptation and misfortune, and defend us against every error, that we may continue steadfast in the faith, increase in love and good works, and — trusting firmly in Your grace for us by His death — obtain eternal salvation; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**