

PASTOR: Let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need, saying,
God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Author of all mercy, we give you thanks for your goodness and loving-kindness to us
and to all whom you have made.

We praise you especially for your immeasurable love in redeeming the world by our
Lord Jesus Christ,
for the means of grace, and for hope in your kin-dom of love and peace.
God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

LITURGIST: We pray for your church throughout the world,
for faithful and fresh congregations wherever they are gathered;
for missionaries, seminaries, preachers, and professors;
for musicians and artists; for architects and landscapers;
for funeral directors and those who care for cemeteries.

Make us generous toward our brothers and sisters
who live and breathe in your name.

God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

PASTOR: For those who hold earthly power and for those who desire to govern,
for those who lead and those who follow,
that they may be moved by the image of your people (your children, O God),
diverse and sometimes in disagreement but living together in harmony,
a vision of the common good to which all nations might aspire.

God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

LITURGIST: For those persecuted for their love of Jesus Christ and those
weighed down by trial and distress,
that the example of the saints may give them courage
and the help of believers give them hope.

God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

PASTOR: For this family gathered to celebrate the Eucharist
in communion with the church in heaven and throughout the world,
that nourished by the word of truth and the bread of life,
we may bear witness in our own generation to the timeless gospel of Christ.

God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

LITURGIST: For all who are in need:

for those who are in prison, those awaiting trial,
those facing surgery and recovering from surgery, for all who lack medical help,
those who have no work, those who work for too little pay,
people without shelter, and those persons living with chronic/recurring health
situations.

God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

PASTOR: We give you thanks for those who have gone before us,
whose lives have shown us your truth, WHOSE LIGHT HAVE BRIGHTENED OUR
LIVES, and whose witness brought us and kept us in this community
of faith . . .

[The names of those who have died in the past year may be spoken, each followed by the tolling of a bell.]

LITURGIST READS NAMES and pauses about 6 secs.

BO OLIVER DOROTHY POWELL

DR. LAURENCE HULL STOOKEY

Pastor: We trust in your never-failing love, O Lord. We see them with the eye of
memory, assured their faults are forgiven, surrounded by your blessings.

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray,
trusting that for these, and for us, your care is constant and your heart is open;
through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and
the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

LITURGIST: Now, in thanksgiving, let us join together as one voice, saying:

**We thank you God for the life witness of the saints in our lives — giving us
reason to praise. We thank you for the joy we have shared with those who have
gone before us and for those we have yet to meet and know. May we, one day, be
able to join whole-heartedly in praise with all the saints! In Jesus name we pray,
Amen.**