

PRAYERS for July 3, 2022—Fourth Sunday of Pentecost

Worship Assistant: On this fourth Sunday of Pentecost, let us praise the name of the Lord and pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

Worship Assistant: Gracious God, Thank You for entrusting to us the responsibility of going out into the world. Help us to be like the Seventy, wise and discerning, and yet joyful and eager for the mission of telling the world about Jesus.

Lord, in Your mercy.....hear our prayer.

Worship Assistant: Almighty Deliverer, we pray for a day when we see You and our hearts rejoice. We ask in particular for a double portion of grace for those who are rejected for Your name's sake. We know that rejection of You isn't new but it is never easy. Bear those persecuted believers up as they testify to Your love.

Lord, in Your mercy.....hear our prayer.

Worship Assistant: All-compassionate Savior, thank You for the body of believers here at Word of God. Make us eager to worship, pray, and serve. Help us to endure rejection and to focus on the joy in heaven over each sinner who repents and turns to Jesus in faith.

Lord, in Your mercy.....hear our prayer.

Worship Assistant: Merciful Father, thank you for a nation built on ideals of liberty and justice. These were high ideals, drawn from Your words, and we so often fall short. Guide those who lead our country, Lord, and use them for Your will even when they do not know You. Pour out blessings on our nation and world, so that we can serve You with glad and peaceful hearts.

Lord, in Your mercy.....hear our prayer.

Worship Assistant: Unbounded Love of Heaven, we ask for healing and hope for all who suffer, whether bodily, mentally, or spiritually. Restore each one to fellowship with those who love them. Restore them to fellowship with You, who always love us. We ask Your guidance and healing for all those listed on our prayer list, for those whose names we speak out loud, and for those who we name silently in our hearts.

(Wait 20 seconds for names.) **Lord, in Your mercy.....hear our prayer.**

Worship Assistant: Saving Lord, comfort those who mourn. Turn their sorrow to rejoicing and their despair to confident hope. Let Your comfort be yet another witness to Your gracious love, and let it be a means that more hearts will be turned to You. Lead us into the full splendor of Your Kingdom, where with all the redeemed, we shall delight in praising and worshipping you forever.

Lord, in Your mercy.....hear our prayer.

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**