

PRAYERS for March 13, 2022—Second Sunday of Lent

Worship Assistant: On this second Sunday of Lent, 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: Father, thank You for being a God who makes and keeps promises. Thank You for the promise of salvation through Your son, Jesus Christ. Your church is scattered among the nations, but we long to be unified. Make us willing to hear You; gather us together.

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

Worship Assistant: Almighty Lord, Abram believed Your promises—You called him righteous for that belief. We have brothers and sisters who suffer for Your name's sake. Help them to stand firm on Your word. Count all those who suffer and yet persist in their faith in You as righteous.

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

Worship Assistant: Loving Father, we have so many good things to be grateful for here at Word of God. Chief among them are the baptisms of Judy and Gene. Thank You, too, for enlarging our fellowship with the addition of new members. We look forward to seeing how You bless our congregation through each new addition. Further we ask You to pour out blessings on the various activities our congregation undertakes this week, from staffing the Mobile Food Pantry to planning this summer's Vacation Bible Schools.

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

Worship Assistant: King of Kings, our eyes have been focused on Ukraine yet again this week. We join our brothers and sisters across the world in asking for peace from Your hand there, a true peace. And yet, we know that there is so much destruction in the world beyond this one conflict. We pray for every leader, that they would, wittingly or unwittingly, be instruments of Your peace in the world. We pray for our community and state leaders, that they can be judicious and level-headed and wise in this tumultuous time. We ask Your abundant blessings on those who serve in any way.

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

Worship Assistant: Creator of the World, You know the extent of suffering in the world because You suffered. We can't know every need, but do not hide Yourself from those who seek You. Do not turn from us but instead, heal those who are sick, comfort those who mourn, ease those who suffer. We pray for each need that is said out loud or silently in our hearts.

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

Worship Assistant: Loving Savior, we entrust to You our faithful departed and all innocent victims of violence and injustice. Guide all who still walk through the valley of the shadow of death. Comfort all who mourn. Let all whom You have redeemed by Your passion, death, and resurrection dwell in Your house and gaze upon Your beauty.

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**