

Bidding

In peace, let us pray to the Lord saying: Lord, hear our prayer.

Petition

With Anglicans everywhere, let us pray for the Anglicans living in the Falkland Islands, and let us pray for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, who oversees their life. Let us join the entire Diocese of New York in praying for All Saints Church in Valley Cottage.

Bidding

Let us pray to the Lord.

Response

Lord, hear our prayer.

Petition

We join the rest of the Diocese this day in also praying in thanksgiving for every effort our nation has ever taken to combat racism and the unspeakable sin of slavery. Let us pray with all our sisters and brother in the Diocese of New York for the humility to face how we are complicit in the oppression of Black people and the courage to work for change.

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Response

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Petition

Let us pray for God's Chosen People as they continue their week-long observance of Hanukkah. Let us pray for mutual respect among all the children of Abraham: Jews and Christians and Muslims.

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Response

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Petition

In silence, let us pray for all who face the rising tide of coronavirus. (A period of silence is kept.) Let us pray for the scientists who created the vaccines and those who are working to create others. (A period of silence is kept.) Let us pray for those who think it is all a hoax. (A period of silence is kept.)

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Response

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Petition

Let us pray for our nation, especially for President-Elect Joseph Biden and Vice-President-Elect Kamala Harris.

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Response

Petition Lord, hear our prayer.

Bidding In silence, let us pray that violence will not overtake us. (A period of silence is kept.) In silence, let us pray that our highest ideals as a people will prevail. (A period of silence is kept.)

Response Let us pray to the Lord.

Petition Lord, hear our prayer.

Bidding Let us be mindful of those in any trouble or distress. We have been asked this week to pray for DJ, Frannie, and Eilers; for Donna and Carla; and for Ana & William Cress and their infant son, Harlan. For whom else in need or want should we pray this week? (A period of silence is kept.)

Response Let us pray to the Lord.

Petition Lord, hear our prayer.

Bidding Let us pray for those who will gather on our steps this afternoon for Advent and Christmas music. Let us pray that we will know how to witness to our neighbors, in song and kind welcome, that Jesus is God-With-Us even in our neighborhood, even today.

Response Let us pray to the Lord.

Petition Lord, hear our prayer.

Bidding Let us give thanks for life's blessings. As always, let us be thankful for those whose generosity sustains the Cathedral, and let us ask God to call others to support our mission and ministry. For what else should we give thanks this week? (A period of silence is kept.)

Response Let us pray to the Lord.

Petition Lord, hear our prayer.

Bidding Let us pray for the dead. Our prayers have been asked this week for Margaret Leocal and Paolo. Let us also pray for those across the world and particularly across our own country who died of COVID this week. And let us commend to God's mercy others who have died, letting their faces rise in our minds and their names rise to our lips. (A period of silence is kept.)

Response Let us pray to the Lord.

Petition Lord, hear our prayer.

The Presider says:

Almighty and eternal God,  
Ruler of all things in heaven earth:

Mercifully accept the prayers of your people,  
And strengthen us to do your will:  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.