

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE – FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Intercessor God of wholeness and light, you have called us and made us children of light, hear us as we pray for all of your creation saying, **Hear our prayer.**

For the Church: especially for Michael our Presiding Bishop and Kevin our bishop, that we may work the works of God while it is day, bringing your light and hope to the world, we pray to you, O God. *Hear our prayer.*

For this parish family, that our Lenten observances may wake us from sleep and fill us with light to bring forth all that is good and right and true, we pray to you, O God. *Hear our pray*

For all in positions of leadership, that they may have the foresight to act with charity and true concern for the well-being of those they are meant to serve, we pray to you, O God. *Hear our prayer.*

For all who are bound by the blindness of prejudice, that God will free them from judging others and open their eyes to the value and dignity of every human person, we pray to you, O God. *Hear our prayer.*

For all who are lonely, anxious or afraid, and for those in need of our prayers , that their hearts and souls may be revived by the Lord who is their Shepherd, we pray to you, O God. *Hear our prayer.*

For all those who have died, remembering especially , that they may dwell in the house of the Lord forever, we pray to you, O God. *Hear our prayer.*

In the communion of blessed Mary, the God-bearer and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, to Christ our God. *To you, O Lord our God.*

Celebrant God of Light, hear our prayers and bring us to a new vision of your glory; strengthen us with the power of your healing love and knit us together in the communion of your compassion and grace. All this we pray in the name of Jesus Christ who is our life and our hope. **Amen.**