## Prayers of the People (Easter 5 Year B, 4-28-2024)

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O God, your Son remained with his disciples after his resurrection, teaching them to love all people as neighbors. As his disciples in *this* age, we offer our prayers on behalf of the universe and our neighbors with whom we share it, saying: Risen Lord, **hear our prayer.** 

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Church of Bangladesh. In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Clergy and people of St. Andrew's by-the-Lake, Lake Elsinore. In the Military Cycle of Prayer, we pray for USS Curtis Wilbur. Risen Lord, **hear our prayer.** 

For the church, that all its members abide in God, love another, and share the message that God is love through word and deed. Risen Lord, **hear our prayer.** 

For all in authority, that their hearts and minds be ready, receptive, and willing to pursue justice and peace. Risen Lord, **hear our prayer.** 

For an end to violence in our communities, our country, and the world, that God will turn hearts from destructive deeds, open pathways for dialogue, and protect the innocent from harm. Risen Lord, **hear our prayer.** 

For the oppressed and the marginalized, those with mental and emotional needs, the poor, the food insecure, the unhoused, that our love and care for them may be real and active. Risen Lord, **hear our prayer.** 

For all whose lives are linked with ours, that we serve and see Christ in one another, and love as God loves us. Risen Lord, **hear our prayer.** 

For the repose of the soul of Amy Maxim Ennenga. For her family, especially Jill, Abby and Cassidy, her friends and all those who mourn her death. We give thanks for the love she shared with the world, for her work as our Outreach Coordinator, and for showing us how to see Christ in all who crossed St. Mark's threshold. Risen Lord, **hear our prayer.** 

For ourselves, that God will help us to let go of those things which need to be pruned so that God's love may blossom and bear fruit in our lives. Risen Lord, **hear our prayer.** 

For the special needs and concerns, thanksgivings and blessings of this congregation of St. Mark's, which we now name either silently or aloud...(*10 seconds of silence*)... Risen Lord, hear our prayer.

## Celebrant:

Holy God, you sent your Son into the world that we might live through him. May we abide in his risen life so that we may bear the fruit of love for one another and know the fullness of joy through Jesus Christ who is risen. Amen.