

Prayers of the People (9th Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 12, Year A, 7-26-2026)

Lector: Start
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God of mercy and love, be in the midst of us now as we pray for ourselves and for the world, saying: God of mercy, hear our prayer.

Take from us our inflated pride that we regard with wonder and awe the flourishing of your kingdom through the small signs of its thriving. Help us grow your Church into a place where all may find a spiritual home. God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Anglican Church of Tanzania. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the clergy and people of All Saints', San Diego and for the EDSD youth delegation to the Province VIII Youth Pilgrimage in Hawaii. In the Military Cycle of prayer, we pray for Naval Amphibious Base Coronado. God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Inspire our world's leaders to make a difference through their political service. Rouse them to serve the common good and to advocate for the needs of the least among us. God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Grant hope to all disaster victims. Turn the hearts of the authorities to make disaster-relief decisions according to need rather than politics. Help us to continue to build an equitable and just country where we do not let hardships go unaddressed. God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Comfort and protect those whose lives are endangered by the cycles of violence surrounding this nation's current immigration system. We lift up to your special care all immigrants, bystanders, law enforcement officers, families, and communities that grieve and sit in fear during this time of increased intensity and uncertainty. God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Gladden the hearts of those who will come to St. Mark's for Saturday's Back To School Bash, that the students who will receive backpacks and their parents may be welcomed as the children of God that they are, and that those who come to volunteer witness God's love with joy. God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Give this congregation hearts that long for you and hands that continue to serve others in your name. God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bring those who died into the safety of eternity. We pray for Johan Sebastián Durán Guerrero, killed during an ICE encounter and for Tyler James Feehan, Isabella Gonzales and Michael Emmanuel Swinton, killed in the Iran war. For all those who died this week, may they find rest. God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For our own intentions of petition and thanksgiving, which we now offer either silently or aloud...**[10 seconds of *sustained* silence, please count in your head, 1001, 1002...1010]**... God of mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Celebrant:

God of Salvation,
You who have promised to be with us
whenever we gather in your name, be with us now.
Hear and respond to our prayers as may be best for us.
Show us the path to be your people more perfectly.
All this we ask in Jesus' name. Amen.