

Prayers of the People – May 20, 2018

Please take the posture of prayer that you are comfortable in:

*As I read:* *Gracious, Inspiring God*  
*Our collective response will be:* ***we worship You and pray***

All Glory and Honor and Praise to you most Holy One. You are a God of Wonder and Might. Spontaneous Freedom and Enduring Love. Brilliant Light and Penetrating Peace. You delight in your creation and we cherish you from the heart of our being... right now we worship You.

*Gracious, Inspiring God – we worship You and pray*

Hallelujah to You Gracious God, by the Spirit of the risen Christ You gather us together. Thank You for our new Arch Bishop Melissa Skelton and for your inspiration in her. Thank you for her willingness and obedience to serve You. We pray that you will give her strength, refreshment, wisdom, mercy, grace and justice – bound together in Your Love: Your Spirit, in overflowing measure.

*Gracious, Inspiring God – we worship You and pray*

We live in a world experiencing the gamut of emotions: celebration and mourning, peace and slaughter, laughter and silent screams, justice and injustice, love and emptiness... we can do nothing *good* without out You, and we can do *all* that is true in You... Fill us, and empower us with Your Spirit afresh, to be all of who You are in each one of us.

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We pray for the Anglican Communion, Our Diocese and Partners. Our local agencies including (*see bulletin*)

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We pray for the healing and comfort of those listed on the back of bulletin...

as well as those we speak now aloud or silently in our hearts... (*pause...*)

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Rain on us with Your Spirit like an unstoppable storm, a spring shower, or a constant mist – whatever the condition of Your purpose in the moment. Fill us with the fullness of Your uncontrollable liberty of love. And Be in us all of who You created us to be as we dwell in the presence of your Spirit, in this breath.

**Amen**