

Let us pray.

This is the fourth Sunday after Easter.

In joy and hope, let us pray to the source of all life, saying 'Hear us, Lord of Glory'.

That our risen saviour may fill us with the joy of his holy and life-giving resurrection, let us pray to the Lord. Hear us, Lord of Glory.

That isolated and persecuted churches might find fresh strength in the Easter gospel, let us pray to the Lord. Hear us, Lord of Glory.

That he may grant us humility to be subject to one another in Christian love. let us pray to the Lord. Hear us, Lord of Glory.

That he may provide for those who lack food, work, or shelter. let us pray to the Lord. Hear us, Lord of Glory.

That by His power, wars and famine may cease through all the earth. let us pray to the Lord. Hear us, Lord of Glory.

That he may reveal the light of his presence to the sick, the weak, and the dying, that they may be comforted and strengthened. let us pray to the Lord. Hear us, Lord of Glory.

A prayer for our church.

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favourably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquillity the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

A prayer for our children.

Father, hear us, we are praying,  
Hear the words our hearts are saying,  
We are praying for our children.

Keep them from the powers of evil,  
From the secret, hidden peril,  
From the whirlpool that would suck them,  
From the treacherous quicksand, pluck them.

From the worldling's hollow gladness,  
From the sting of faithless sadness,

Holy Father, save our children.

Through life's troubled waters steer them,  
Through life's bitter battle cheer them,  
Father, Father, be Thou near them.  
Read the language of our longing,  
Holy Father, for our children.

And wherever they may bide,  
Lead them Home at eventide.

A Prayer for COVID-19.

Oh, heavenly father, we pray for those suffering from COVID-19, for which at present there is no cure. Give them the victory of trust and hope, that they may never lose their faith in your loving purpose. Grant your wisdom to all who seek the cause of diseases, and confirm in us the truth that through you, all things are possible. We ask this in the name of him, who went about doing good, and healing all manner of disease, Your Son, Christ our Lord.

Amen.