Prayer of the Church Sunday 6 February 2022

Lord, keep us faithful to your word; and help us remain faithful to the teaching we have received from the apostles. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all those you call to proclaim your word in our land today: inspire them to be faithful to their calling, even if their message is not welcome. Keep them strong in faith and bold in their proclamation. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Please give health, good counsel, and humility to all who hold high office in our land, and give all who are in positions of authority your protection as they uphold the law. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Give us courage and purpose to promote the Gospel, sharing your kingdom with all who are burdened by guilt and sin, so they may know the forgiveness of Christ. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Creator God, as you call each one of us to serve you and glorify your name in all the world, we pray that we may be diligent in our proper vocations. Be with those who are seeking employment, and for those who are preparing to enter the work force. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Please give your Spirit of wisdom and understanding Amy Coombe, Lincoln Davey, Mary Hensley, Matthias Hultgren, Lukas Mayer, Aaron Mwambopo, Daniel Pearce, and Matthew Tan as they begin their confirmation studies. Grow them in Christian love for each other as they receive your word together. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Please have mercy of those who are sick, or who are dying, especially Dave Hermann, Valerie Naguib, and those we name before you in our hearts. Let them know your presence dear Lord. Comfort and heal them according to your good and gracious will. Please also give you Spirit of comfort and consolation to Val Kriewaldt, and to all those who are mourning the death of Colin Scheer. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord, let us hear you as you call us into your service, so that wherever we live or work, we may confess your name faithfully. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**