Almighty God and merciful Father: thankyou for all your goodness and love - to us and to all people. We bless you for our creation and preservation, and for all the blessings of this life. But above all we thank and praise you for the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. Give us such an awareness of your mercy, that our hearts may be thankful, and that we may praise you all we do. Lord in your mercy: hear our prayer

You have let us share in your glory. Increase in us a life of faith and love so that your glory may shine through us in the sight of others. Bless our bishop, John, our district bishop, David, and all pastors and congregations. Let us together listen to your Son, and faithfully hand on his word. Lord in your mercy: hear our prayer

In your kingdom there is peace and righteousness. We pray for nations now in conflict. Take away prejudice, cruelty, and revenge. Grant right order and your gift of harmony. Lord in your mercy: hear our prayer

Lord of the nations, we pray for the parliaments of our Commonwealth and State; for our Prime Minister Scott Morrison, and our Premier Stephen Marshall; and for all who serve in high office. Direct their work and influence their decisions, so that the laws of our land may be just, and so that the little ones among us may be welcomed and protected. Please . Lord in your mercy: hear our prayer

Heavenly Father, your Son Jesus shared in Nazareth the life of an earthly home. Bless our homes, we pray, so that parents and children may be bound to each other by mutual love and honour, and come to knowledge of your love for them. *Lord in your mercy*: hear our prayer

Please give your gifts of healing, strength, and patience to all those who are suffering at this time. We pray in particular for Laryssam Anker, Shirley Jones, Val Kriewaldt, and those we name before you in our hearts. Lord in your mercy: hear our prayer

Lord God, hear the prayers we offer, and let your grace and mercy flow to us, and to all those for whom we pray. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**