With confidence let us place our petitions before God who hears the prayers of our hearts:

- 1. For God's pilgrim people throughout the world, for a willingness to follow the path of love and mercy that God has set for us, let us pray to the Lord.
- 2. For blessings and protection upon our cities who are re-opening businesses and services: for our churches and all houses of worship, for the people who gather, for prudence and wisdom for our nations' and religious leaders, let us pray to the Lord.
- 3. For those who have served our country and whom we remember on the Memorial Day weekend, For those who lost their lives in defending our country, and for the families who survived them and mourned them, for courage and strength as they celebrate them, let us pray to the Lord.
- 4. For an affirmation and awareness of the dignity of all human life, especially during this time of pandemic, for an attitude and response of care and solidarity with those who have been affected by the coronavirus and those who are at risk, let us pray to the Lord.
- 5. For courage and strength for those who have lost their jobs and are struggling to get food and care for their families, for our compassionate hearts to reach out to them in the name of Jesus and for hope for those who despair, let us pray to the Lord.
- 6. For continued gratitude and support for all workers who are feeding us, protecting our health, cleaning our garbage, caring for our children, and reaching out to all in need during this crisis, for them to experience strength and encouragement from our outreach to them, let us pray to the Lord.
- 6. For children and youth, especially those who are orphans and abandoned, for a response of love and compassion from us as we witness Christ to those whom we encounter, let us pray to the Lord.
- 7. For those who have died, most recently **Katherine Lowe**, for those who have died or are dying separated from their children and loved ones, for strength for the health care providers that assist them in their passing into a new life, for those who need our love compassion especially for all those whom we now lift up in silent prayer, ...[pause]...let us pray to the Lord.

Prayer: Almighty God,

Enlighten our minds with your wisdom, fill our hearts with your love, and grant the petition we make, according to your will.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen