

Sunday Prayer Sheet: Praying for our Nation

When they heard this, they raised their voices together in prayer to God. “Sovereign Lord,” they said, “you made the heavens and the earth and the sea, and everything in them. (Acts 4v24)

Prayers for:

Those in authority

Almighty and eternal God, you teach us in your word that the hearts of rulers are under your sovereign control, and that you incline and turn them according to your godly wisdom: we humbly beseech you so to govern the heart of the Queen, that in all her thoughts, words, and works she may always seek your honour and glory and strive to preserve your people under her care in prosperity, peace and godliness. Grant this, O merciful Father, for your dear Son’s sake, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Most gracious God, we pray for the Prime Minister, members of Cabinet and Government and all elected to the Parliament and councils of this realm. Direct and prosper all their consultations to the advancement of your glory, the good of your church, and the safety, honour, and welfare of the peoples of this land; so that peace and happiness, truth and justice, faith and godliness, may be established among us for all generations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The nations

Lord God Almighty, we rejoice that you are the sovereign Lord who rules over all: may the nations of the world hear your voice and the peoples acknowledge you. Banish the darkness of sin and unbelief. Break down every barrier that stands in the way of the triumph of your Word and gospel and hasten the day when every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord. We ask this in his name, and to his glory. Amen.

God’s church and people

Almighty and eternal God, you alone work great marvels: send down your Holy Spirit on all bishops and pastors and the congregations they serve. And, so that we may all truly please you, pour on us the continual dew of your blessing. Grant this, O Lord, for the honour of our advocate and mediator, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Faithfulness

Remember, O Lord, what you have worked in us and not what we deserve; and as you have called us to your service, make us worthy of our calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Mission

Almighty God, you have given your Son Jesus Christ the name that is above every name and have taught us that there is salvation in no one else. Grant that as we and all your people rejoice in his comfort, love, and peace, we may always prove faithful by making known to the peoples of all nations the good news of forgiveness of all sin through faith in his name; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen

