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Prayers for March 15, 2020

OPENING PRAYER

Loving God,

At times such as this when we realize the ground beneath our feet is not as solid as we had imagined, we plead for your presence in our hearts and in our homes. Center our minds on your promise of hope, and break open our hearts to hear your Word of life this day. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God of mercy, God of comfort, we come before you in this time of uncertainty clinging to your hope. You are our living water – the source of our life and wellbeing. Though our tendency is to think of ourselves as our own gods, our own means of salvation and grace, you are the wellspring of all life, the fountain of living water that sustains the lives we lead. Greet our anxious hearts and minds with a sense of trust in you. Pour out the promise of your peace upon us, especially Lloyd Mart as he continues to transition to a new home, Harold Haugen as he recovers from surgery, and the family of Ray Singleton as they grieve his death.

We also pray for all health care workers in our nation and around the world. Give them energy and patience, grant them wisdom and safety, and may the community rise up to support them as they care for the vulnerable in our midst.

We pray for those who work in the service industry, day laborers, teachers, and all who face lost wages and wondering how they will make ends meet. Make us bold O God, to protect them and care for them. Give us vision beyond ourselves to see how we must stand with and for one another.

We pray for all who travel, that you might guide them and provide a safe harbor for them when home feels far away.

We pray for all those who are isolated and feeling lonely and lost.



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We pray for all who govern, give them wisdom and energy during this time of community stress.

Receive all our prayers O God into your tender mercy and care. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.