Let us pray for the church and for the world and thank God for her goodness. As children we thought dry sunny days every day would be ideal. Lord God who knows our needs, thank you for this week’s rain.

LIYM

Show us how to strengthen the church, especially those who we love. Show us how they can learn to love you more. Many of us here are past 3 score years and ten. We didn’t suddenly become attractive “nice” old people. It has taken years of practice. Help us shed the habits we have that discourage others from seeing You in us.

LIYM

Bless & guide Charles our king and all those who wield power in his name. Thank you that we have a system here based on laws that apply to all of us, a democracy that our parents & their parents fought to maintain. We remember all those places in the world where violence is the rule, and laws don’t apply to everyone. If I try to list all places I will miss some. Each of us have somewhere close to our heart. So many injustices in the world.

LIYM

We thank you for our homes where we learned about love and kindness. We pray for those whose homes are destroyed. Where the message seems to be hatred. Have mercy on them. May they find the peace we are unable to provide.

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Comfort those who are sick in body, soul or mind. Give them courage. Help them to see completeness in Jesus our saviour. What we give to him we can keep. That will make us most truly ourselves.

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We remember those who have died. Give solace to those who mourn with the knowledge of the promise of the share in Your eternal kingdom.

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Rejoicing in the fellowship of Andrew and all the saints we commend ourselves and all people to your unfailing love.

Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of Your son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.