

Almighty God, your son Jesus is King of Kings, Lord of Lords. Look down on us, and hear us, as we lay ourselves and our prayers before you. We are your people, and we wish to be more closely united in what we do and say. Guide our actions and words so that we are identified as your followers to those with whom we have contact whether at work, at home or at leisure.

Heavenly Father, we pray for your world where many have never known about you; but where sadly many, have rejected you. Let Jesus be King, not only of the faithful who have not forsaken him, but also of the prodigal children who have abandoned him.

Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Almighty God we pray for the people of the United States of America following the Presidential Election. Our thoughts and prayers are with a nation sharply divided, with some questioning its values and aspirations and trying to make sense of the present whilst many fear the future.

Father God we pray and thank you for Elizabeth our Queen and other earthly leaders, kings, queens, presidents and prime ministers; encourage them all to serve their people following Jesus' example constantly seeking the common good in all that they do. We particularly remember at this time those leaders who are seeking ways forward with huge decisions that will affect people in many countries – those looking at climate change, those working with migrants and refugees, those working for peace in countries torn apart by war and terror, and those working for economic stability in the midst of uncertainty. Guide us to do what we can to avoid dissent and division, and to support those in need around the world and at home.

Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, Lord of the past and the future: we thank you for our Church and all those who contribute to our community. We thank you for the service of Alan and Bill, and for the fellowship and joy of our worship together as a church family and for all those who have worked so hard to run and maintain our church here at St Andrews. We remember Tracey and her team providing the younger church activities and thank you for her work, but also remember all those who work with the older members of our family – those who provide lunches, and visits, and companionship which is so necessary for wellbeing. Guide us all to know our part to play in our church community. .

Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Loving God, we pray for all those who suffer in any way. We pray that they will know the presence of your Son alongside them and the power of Christ the King within them bringing peace and healing, and also provide support and encouragement for those caring for them. We pray particularly for those know to us in this Church And those we name in our own hearts And those who have no one to pray for them. Touch them all with your healing Hand, Lord.

Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Merciful God, when we have to part from those whom we love it hurts; so when we find words of comfort hard to hear, surround us with your love, turning our grief to hope. We pray for those who have recently died, and ask that you

surround their families and friends with your loving arms, thinking of and those whose anniversary falls at this time. We also remember the families of those who have died in the train crash in India, the earthquake in New Zealand and the tram crash in London. Be with all those who mourn, and give them peace.

Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Lord God Almighty, we give thanks to you for all that you do in our lives. At the end of this church year we commend to you all those for whom we have prayed throughout the year and ask that you continue to use us and our prayers to make a difference in their lives.

Merciful Father: **Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**