## Prayers of Intercession August 24, 2025

You are near to us, God, as we pray for the church, the wonder of creation, and all people of Your world.

## A brief silence

You are a God of judgment, mercy, grace, peace, and love. Give strength to world leaders as we seek an end to war and poverty, that all people might enjoy and experience Your many gifts. God in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

It is Your will that the church proclaim Your Word to all people. Give wisdom to church leaders as they pursue all You intend for humanity.

God, in Your mercy,

hear our prayer

Lift up all creation to sing and bless Your holy name. Bring healing rain and abundant sunshine to areas throughout the world that need it.

God, in Your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Lord, there are many many farmers in Sioux County. Guide and keep them safe during the growing season. Give them refreshment in the heat and prepare all for the bountiful season of harvest. We ask Your blessing on those who raise animals, those who travel the roads with feed and supplies, those in the fields cultivating crops, and all who work to protect the food and energy supply for the world. We pray for local businesses and schools and all who labor.

God in Your mercy

hear our prayer.

Your commands speak to the goodness of the Sabbath. Bring an excitement to our worship experience on this special day. (Additional prayers are said at this time.) Guide us as we work together to seek Your will in different ways we might offer music, liturgy, prayer, and message, that all may be lifted up and encouraged. Most of all, may our worship hold fast to Your Word. God in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

You offer a good life to Your people. In Your constant love, hear the cries of those who struggle in mind, body and spirit. Heal those who struggle with addiction, loneliness, and mental or physical illness. We all need Your healing presence.

God in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Mindful of those who rest in the arms of Your Son, Jesus Christ, and in awareness of the lessons they have taught us, may we run the race of faith with a confidence that one day we will join You and our loved ones at the table of grace.

God in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Gather all our prayers unto You O God, in the sure and certain hope of resurrected life, through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord who taught us to pray, Our Father... Amen