

Intercessions for Sunday 23rd August 2020

These are based on this Sunday's prayers in Living Stones, year A

Gathered together though separated, let us pray together as the Body of Christ.

Fill your church, O Lord, with life and energy, spiritual health and vitality. May we grow more like you, and show your loving, minister with your tenderness, serve with your humility and co-operate with your vision.

In you, O Lord:

Is all meaning and truth.

Fill your world, O Lord, with your justice: justice for the people of Belarus, justice for the refugee and asylum-seeker, justice for our students, and justice for all who have given up hope of seeing it come.

In you, O Lord:

Is all meaning and truth.

Fill our homes and neighbourhoods, O Lord, with generosity and mutual trust. May we cherish our bodies, minds and spirits as temples of your Spirit, and honour one another as people of your making.

In you, O Lord:

Is all meaning and truth.

Father, we pray for all who are ill at home or in hospital, especially for those with illnesses or injuries that will change their lives. We pray for the work of all who heal and comfort, all who visit the sick and counsel the distressed.

In you, O Lord:

Is all meaning and truth.

Father, we pray for the dying and those who love them, and for those who have no one to mourn their passing. We pray for the work of those who comfort the bereaved.

In you, O Lord:

Is all meaning and truth.

Fill our hearts, O Lord, with thankfulness and praise as we recall your faithfulness and live in your love.

Merciful Father,

accept these prayers,

For the sake of your Son,

Our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.