

December 20, 2009

Holy God, enrich the beauty of your creation. Help us to see the moments you provide for us to enjoy the beauty of the earth. Lord, in your mercy.

Holy God, our anticipation grows to celebrate your son's birth. Help us to celebrate his birth by coming to reconciliation with those who have wronged us and those we have wronged. Lord, in your mercy.

Holy God, uplift those who feel alone in this season of joy. Inspire us to welcome those who are alone into our celebrations. Lord, in your mercy.

Holy God, be present among those whose work requires them to be away from family and friends, especially those serving in the military and in public service. Lord, in your mercy.

Holy God, surround with your healing love all who are sick, hospitalized, in nursing homes and under hospice care, especially... Grant the fullness of your healing grace to all for whom we pray as well as those whose ills are not known to us. Lord, in your mercy.

Holy God, bless the ministries of this congregation. Stir us to think beyond ourselves, knowing that you will provide all that is needed. Lord, in your mercy.

We give thanks to you for every member of our congregation and especially ask your blessing upon Jody, Ken, Tim and Troy Kernicky, Mазzie Kernicky, Ken Kernicky, Tyler and Renee Kimball and John Jr., Danett, Mya and John Klejka the III. Keep us close together in fellowship, in the breaking of bread, in prayer and in service to others. Lord, in your mercy.

Holy God, you are with us, offering comfort for our sorrows and healing for our souls. We bless you for our beloved dead who are now at rest in you, especially Katharina Luther, whom we commemorate this day. Keep us one with them in the blessed hope of the resurrection. Lord, in your mercy.

Into your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.