

Sunday 12 October – Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Prayers written by Pat Southwood

Almighty god our heavenly father you promised through your son Jesus Christ to hear us when we pray in faith.

We bring to you today Sarah our new Archbishop. Guard and guide her as she sets out on her journey as leader of your church.

We give thanks to you today for everyone who is a part of our church here at St Luke's help us all to work together in love and harmony in this time of interregnum.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer.

We bring to you today our world; we give thanks for its beauty; we ask that you show us and all governments and persons of power how to care for it so that it continues to be a thing of wonder and joy.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer.

We bring you today our own concerns, our hopes and fears, our plans and problems our joys and sorrows.

Keep us strong when things are difficult and help us to know that you are with us always, and help us to hold on to the truth of your constant love for us.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer.

We bring to you today the lonely, the homeless, the hungry and those whose countries are devastated by war and economic disaster.

Bless all those organizations helping them in their time of trouble and help us to understand that even small things we do to help can make a difference.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer.

Remembering everyone caught up in the war zones of the world we bring to you today those whose bodies and minds have been damaged by war and terrorism, those who are ill and those who care for them.

From this community we bring you June Dennis, Jericho Hasleber, John and Elizabeth Firman

Surround them with your love comfort them and give them courage and hope in their troubles.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer.

We bring to you today those who have lost a loved one. Help them to cope with their sadness and the gap that has been left in their lives.

From our own community we remember Dorothy Hammersley. Derek Franklin, Eileen Piggott and Peter Morley.

We give thanks for the lives of those who are remembered in our memorial book

Christine Frost and Irene Malyan

Grant us with all who have known you in their hearts a share in your eternal kingdom

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer.

Father fill our homes with your love, may the love of the Lord Jesus be in our hearts and minds always and we ask that the love of the Holy Spirit guide and bless us and the ones we love.

Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your son our saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.