

**Prayer of the Church—Ektene Form**  
**Third Sunday in Advent (B)**  
**13 December 2020**

In peace, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

*Brief silence*

For all Christians, that the Lord would keep them from every folly that would turn them from His words of peace, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the Church, that the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world would richly and daily forgive our sins and the sins of all believers; and for Tim, our Synod president; David, our regional pastor; Brad, our circuit counsellor; for the pastor the Lord plans to bring to us, and all pastors in Christ, that they would remain faithful and not deny but confess Your truth, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For the children of our families, that every darkness would be lightened by Your Son's gracious visitation; and that God would preserve them from dangers to body and soul, guide them by His Word in wise paths, and keep them firm in the faith till life's end, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

For our nation and its leaders, that God would preserve our land and its citizens in peace and harmony, and protect all who serve in harm's way, let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

In thanksgiving for the kindness shown to us in Christ and the certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life with Him; and for those in every circumstance or need, [*especially \_\_\_\_\_*,] let us pray to the Lord: **Lord, have mercy.**

Into Your hands, Father, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**