

CORPORATE PRAYER -*Extinguishing the Candles*

God the Father, Creator of all things,
 God the Son, Light of the world,
 God the Holy Spirit, Giver of life:
Have mercy on us.

We confess that we have sinned in both things we have done, and in things we have failed to do. In fear, we have rejected your light and chosen, instead, to hide in darkness.

Lord, have mercy on us.

Sickness

We pray for those who suffer from illness, at home or in hospitals and care facilities, and for their families and friends. We pray for strength and healing.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Mental Health

For those who wrestle with anxiety, depression, and hopelessness and for their family and friends. We pray for healing and hope.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Death

For those who are mourning the death of a family member, of a friend or neighbor, or a person they love, we pray for comfort, peace, and hope.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Loneliness

For those who suffer the weight of loneliness and isolation, who are unable or unwilling to be with family, friends, or loved ones, we pray for consolation.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Finances

For those who have lost their job or their income, and for those suffering financial hardship and uncertainty, we pray for peace, contentment, and provision.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Marriage/Family

For those who endure the pain of a broken marriage, a broken family, or a failed relationship, we pray for peace, comfort, and reconciliation.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Addiction

For those who struggle with addiction, and for families and friends who are burdened by the addictions of someone they love. We pray for freedom and hope.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Un-named

And for the many other un-named struggles, difficulties, disappointments, abuses, frustrations, and challenges facing us and the people we love, we pray for healing, help, and hope.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the town of Columbiana: for our families, our schools, our churches, our businesses, and our leaders and public servants, we pray for blessing, guidance, and protection.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For our Nation: We pray for the healing of political divides, racial divides, and social divides. We pray for Your Peace and Justice in our Nation.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all of creation, that groans in expectation, and for our hearts that groan within us. We long for you to rescue your people and heal your world.

O Lord, hear our prayer. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 9:1-2; 6

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

O come, O come, Emmanuel,
 and ransom captive Israel
 that mourns in lonely exile here
 until the Son of God appear.

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
 shall come to you, O Israel.*

O come, Thou Day-Spring
 Come and cheer
 Our spirits by Thine advent here
 Disperse the gloomy clouds of night
 And death's dark shadows put to flight

LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS - *Lighting the Candles***Joy to the World**

Joy to the world, the Lord is come
 Let Earth receive her King
 Let every heart prepare Him room
 And Heaven and nature sing
 And Heaven and nature sing
 And Heaven, and Heaven, and nature sing
 Joy to the Earth, the Savior reigns
 Let all their songs employ
 While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains
 Repeat the sounding joy
 Repeat the sounding joy
 Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy
 He rules the world with truth and grace
 And makes the nations prove
 The glories of His righteousness
 And wonders of His love
 And wonders of His love
 And wonders, wonders, of His love

BENEDICTION