

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

(Prayer of the Faithful)

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Priest's Introduction:

Brothers and sisters, Jesus Christ is risen from the dead and sits at the right hand of the Father, where he intercedes for his Church. Confident that God hears the voices of those who trust in the Lord Jesus, we join our prayers to his:

Reader: In Baptism **N.** was given the light of Christ. Scatter the darkness now and lead him (her) over the waters of death. We pray:

R. Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: Our brother (sister) **N.** was nourished at the table of the Savior. Welcome him (her) into the halls of the heavenly banquet. We pray.

R. Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: Many friends and members of our families have gone before us and await the kingdom. Grant them an everlasting home with your Son. We pray. **R.** Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: The family and friends of **N.** seek comfort and consolation. Heal their pain and dispel the darkness and doubt that come from grief. We pray. **R.** Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: We are assembled here in faith and confidence to pray for our brother (sister) **N.** Strengthen our hope so that we may live in the Lord. We pray. **R.** Lord, hear our prayer.

Priest's Prayer:

Lord God, giver of peace and healer of souls, hear the prayers of the Redeemer, Jesus Christ, and the voices of your people, whose lives were purchased by the Blood of the Lamb. Forgive the sins of all who sleep in Christ and grant them a place in the Kingdom. Through Christ our Lord. **R.** Amen.

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Priest's Introduction: God, the almighty Father, raised Christ his Son from the dead; with confidence we ask him to save all his people, living and dead:

Reader: For **N.** who in Baptism was given the pledge of eternal life, that he (she) may now be admitted to the company of the Saints. We pray.

R. Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: For our brother (sister) who at the Body of Christ, the Bread of life, that he (she) may be raised upon on the last day. We pray.

R. Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: For our deceased relatives and friends and for all who have helped us, that they may have the reward of their goodness. We pray.

R. Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: For all those have fallen asleep in the hope of rising again, that they may see God face to face. We pray. **R.** Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: For the family and friends of our brother (sister) **N.**, that they may be consoled in their grief by the Lord, who wept at the death of his friend Lazarus. We pray. **R.** Lord, hear our prayer.

Priest's Prayer:

May the prayer of those who cry to you benefit the souls of your servants, O Lord: free them, we pray, from all their sins and make them sharers in your redemption. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.