

Prayers of the people Jan 20<sup>th</sup> 2019

To the words God of love we reply Hear our prayer.

We pray for your church here on earth, for all our spiritual leaders and especially Karen, our minister. Guide and govern them with your spirit.

God of love and mercy

Hear our prayer

Gracious God, we ask your spirit to give us strength as we work and witness in your world. Help us to show your love to others and unite us in truth and love.

God of love and mercy

Hear our prayer.

We give thanks that we can meet together to hear your word and pray together. Let us concentrate on what we have in common rather than the infinitesimal differences.

God of love and mercy

Hear our prayer

We pray now for our families and friends. We pray for their happiness. Give your strength to those who are sad and lonely. We pray now silently or aloud, for those who suffer illness, distress or grief.

God of love and mercy

Hear our prayer.

We pray silently or aloud for those who mourn that they may feel your care for them.

God of love and mercy

Hear our prayer

Loving God, we give this week into your hands. Bless those who travel and keep them safe. Be with us in all that we do and answer our prayers as may be best for us. Amen