**Prayers of the People, Alexander Chapel, September 7, 2025**

**Leader:** Let us join our hearts together in prayer.

**Leader:** Gracious and loving God,
we give You thanks for the gift of this day,
for breath in our lungs,
and for community that surrounds us,
Lord, in Your mercy,

**People:** Hear our prayer.

We pray for Your Church throughout the world—
for leaders, pastors, and lay people—
that we may be faithful witnesses of Your grace,
and instruments of reconciliation and peace.
Lord, in Your mercy,

**People:** Hear our prayer.

We lift before You our community and our nation.
Grant wisdom to those in authority,
compassion to those in service,
and justice where there is brokenness.
Lord, in Your mercy,

**People:** Hear our prayer.

**Leader:** We remember those in places of conflict and war,
those recovering from natural disasters,
and all who long for safety and peace.
Surround them with Your protection and care.
Lord, in Your mercy,

**People:** Hear our prayer.

We pray for those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit.
Bring healing to the sick,
and hope to the discouraged.
We especially remember those named on our prayer list
and those lifted up in our hearts now… [pause]
Lord, in Your mercy,

**People:** Hear our prayer.

**All:** Amen