

## **Intercessions Trinity 15 – Jane Brough**

Jesus Christ is God's way in the world. Let us bring our prayers to God through Christ, allowing ourselves and our desires to be shaped by him.

We pray for the leaders of the nations, that they may see the way of God as above our human ways, a way that calls for justice and peace throughout the world and an obedience to God's commands. We pray that, where there is sadness, God might be seen in comforting love. Where there is pain and injustice, God's presence might be known and bring about change, and where there is poverty, God's compassion and vision will move hearts. We lift before God those in our world who are powerless today in the face of human traditions and attitudes and we pray for their governments and leaders.

### **Lord in your mercy – hear our prayer**

May those entrusted with teaching ministry be ready to learn from those they teach. We pray for all church leaders, that their ministry and their teaching may be formed by Christ.

### **Lord in your mercy – hear our prayer**

May all of us who tell of God's great goodness be ready to show it in our lives. We pray for peace in our homes, our communities and especially the wider world.

### **Lord in your mercy – hear our prayer**

Let us pray for all those who have no faith, for those who feel their lives have no meaning. For all who are in despair and who feel their faith is weak or muddled, that they might receive glimmers of God's Grace.

### **Lord in your mercy – hear our prayer**

We lift in prayer all people who are sick or weak or misunderstood or lonely, particularly those we know in our own communities, neighbourhoods and families.

### **Lord in your mercy – hear our prayer**

We pray for those who have recently died and those we remember with love. May they find joy in heaven.

### **Lord in your mercy – hear our prayer**

We bring before God with thanks all who have been our strength and help in our dark times. May God reward them and help us to follow their example in meeting others needs in due time.

### **Lord in your mercy – hear our prayer**

Lord our God, you alone hold the key to life. Help us to see your hand in our journey through life and to hold fast to you, especially in times of trial.

**Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your son, our saviour Jesus Christ.**

**Amen**