

Praying for Ukraine:

God of peace and justice...

We pray for the people of Ukraine today.

We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.

We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.

We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions.

Above all, we pray for all your precious children,
at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them.

We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen.

God of all peoples and nations,
who created all things alive and breathing, united and whole,
show us the way of peace that is your overwhelming presence.

We hold before you the peoples of Ukraine and Russia,
every child and every adult.

We long for the time when weapons of war are beaten into ploughshares,
when nations no longer lift up sword against nation.

We cry out to you for peace;
protect those who only desire and deserve to live in security and safety;
comfort those who fear for their lives and the lives of their loved ones;
be with those who are bereaved;

change the hearts of those set on violence and aggression
and fill leaders with the wisdom that leads to peace;
kindle again in us a love of our neighbour, a passion for justice to prevail
and a renewed recognition that we all play a part in peace.

Creator of all hear our prayer and bring us peace.

Make us whole. Amen.



Praying for Israel and Gaza

O God of all justice and peace
we cry out to you in the midst of the pain and trauma,
of the violence and fear which prevails in the Holy Land.
Be with those who need you in these days of suffering;
we pray for people of all faiths -
Jews, Muslims and Christians and for all people of the land.
While we pray to you, O Lord,
for an end to violence and the establishment of peace,
we also call for you to bring justice and equity to the peoples.
Guide us into your kingdom,
where all people are treated with dignity and honour as your children
for, to all of us, you are our Heavenly Father.
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Archbishop Hosam (Anglican Archbishop of Jerusalem and the Middle East)

There will be a specific time of Prayer for the World and especially these and other areas where there is conflict every 3rd Tuesday at 1.00pm in the Abbey if you wish to join us, as well as in our other services.