World Prayer, May 14 2020

Lord, God of love, abundance and life, we turn to you in prayer and bring you the suffering of our world and of the humanity we are part of.

In prayer, we mourn for the many lost lives and we present to you the many fragile lives of those most exposed to the virus.

In prayer we ask you to be with those who are exposing themselves daily for the welfare of all, in the hospitals and in the workplace.

In prayer we bring our concern for our future and our neighbor.

And we pray: may love thrive against fear.

Because if there is fear in the world, there is no need even for hatred; if there is isolation there mustn't be loneliness; if there is anxiety, there is no need for meanness.

Help us find new creative ways to stay united in spirit and in solidarity.

Today we reach out to those who pray with us, whatever their creed, wherever they live in the world, whatever language they speak: their words are precious, their humanity is equal to ours. Together let us build a better, more peaceful and supportive world.

Give us the joy of your presence, according to your promise: I will be with you every day of your life.

In Jesus name, Amen.