

Praying for a Glimpse of the World as God's Love Would Have It

Praying for Peace and Justice on July 21, 2024

Grant us, Holy One a vision of your world as your love would have it:

a world where the weak are protected, and none go hungry or poor;

a world where the riches of creation are shared, and everyone can enjoy them;

a world where different races and cultures live in harmony and mutual respect;

a world where peace is built with justice, and justice is guided by love;

a world where caring, compassion and touch are offered especially for those in palliative and hospice care;

Give us the inspiration and courage to build it, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Background

Peace and justice is what we are aiming for and hoping to achieve, but very little is experienced, known and felt; most of all those seriously affected are the ones in dire need of peace and justice. So is the reverse Peace through War? Peace is translated as victory for one side, it is never a win-win situation. There is loss of life, limbs, illnesses, disrupting families and communities and the environment is affected. Since 220 the motivation to kill continues and certain people are acknowledged. I am not naming names,

because the names of blacks or people of color are usually left out. So what is the answer? Violence does not create change, especially political violence. In fact, it is a rejection of change and interferes with democracy. One way to oppose is by voting. What else can we do?