

A Prayer Recalling the Beatitudes

Praying for Peace and Justice on March 2, 2025

There is so much turmoil in our world, and peace being disrupted and justice overturned, that I wanted to go back to the Beatitudes for our Peace and Justice prayer today.

- Dear God, please bless the poor in spirit, show them the hope of your kingdom. This includes immigrants who are fearful and transgender people who are being erased.

- God, please bless those who mourn, and help us know how to comfort them. This includes those with healthcare denied, and families living in Gaza and Ukraine!

- God, please bless the meek, give them some of their inheritance in this life. Help those who are poor, in a minority group now denigrated by the party in power, and children who are not able to speak up for their needs as school funds are possibly to be slashed.

- God, please bless those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, and fill them with energy to keep on fighting for justice. Let us have the energy to support our advocates for just causes.

- God, please bless the merciful, and we pray they will be shown mercy.

- God, you have already blessed the pure in heart, for they see you and show us the way.

- God, please bless the peacemakers, for they will be

called children of God and teach the rest of us how to be better children of God.

· God, please bless those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Support them in seeking righteousness. Amen.