

Hinckley United Reformed Church.
Prayers for week beginning Monday July 3rd 2023

Heavenly Father
you bring hope and healing through all kinds of people, and in all kinds of situations.

We give you thanks for all who bring care to those who are sick: nurses, doctors, physiotherapists, counsellors, psychiatrists. Give them insight, patience and tenderness.

We give you thanks for all who bring hope to those who have no settled home: social workers, lawyers, home office officials, hostel staff, law-makers. Give them passion, integrity and perseverance.

We give you thanks for all who work to end conflict throughout the world: campaigners, peace activists, community leaders, government ministers, world leaders, soldiers.

Give them humility, freedom from prejudice and a real desire for reconciliation.

We give you thanks for those who live out your love in trying circumstances: those who have little, but share generously; those who give time and energy to support family or friends in need. Give them respite, hope and renewal.

We pray for all those in war torn countries, living on a bare subsistence with no roof over their head and fear in their hearts. We pray for our world, for those who are suffering injustice, hardship even death because they acknowledge you as their Lord and Saviour.

We pray for those in countries that are broken by war in Ukraine, Iran, Afghanistan and Darfur, people consumed by hatred, thousands living in fear, homeless and hungry, those whose lives have been wrecked by earthquake, flood, famine or disease.

We pray for the families of those killed in Nottingham, the 5 who died in the watery depths of the Atlantic.

We pray for the sick and dying all over the world, and here in this country. We think of those who care for them, those family members who give selflessly of their time to care for a loved one.

We pray for all those who are homeless, both far away and here in this country. Especially those in our own town. For those who are addicted to drugs or alcohol.

Those who are struggling in these days of raging inflation, and those facing difficulties paying for their rent or mortgage with interest rates getting ever higher

And lastly we pray for ourselves for we too have our own special problems known to You, that we might remain faithful to You Lord, our conviction in your redeeming love remaining ever strong and true. We pray that we can continue coming before you to offer our prayers and our praise, and that we may remain loyal servants, following in your ways, now and always.

In Jesus name we ask all of these things, AMEN