

Hinckley United Reformed Church

Prayers 10th June – 16th June

Mon 10th June Lord Jesus, servant of all, come to us and grant us the light of your presence, for we are weak and poor in faith, slow to follow and swift to stray. Though we yearn to be your people, day after day we let you down. Though we hunger to serve you better, time and again we serve only ourselves. Teach us to put you at the centre of our lives.

Tues 11th June In all the stress and rush of life it is so easy to forget you and to lose our way. In the press of each day, we allow you to be crowded out, preoccupied instead with our own problems and concerned with our own plans and needs. And then we find ourselves alone and burdened with guilt and unable to cope.

Wed 12th June Loving God, so often we act with little or no thought as to the potential repercussions of our words or deeds, only to find out later that those decisions taken, whether our own or others, are hard to bear. Hear our prayers for all those suffering as a result of our deeds and words.

Thurs 13th June, We pray for those suffering the consequences of war – in Ukraine and Gaza, as well as other places. For the way their lives have been overturned, losing their homes and employment, as well as loved ones killed or injured.

Fri 14th June We pray for peace, that the leaders of all nations may work to reduce weaponry and promote dialogue. We pray for justice, that the abundance of this earth's resources may be distributed evenly amongst all people so that hunger and thirst are no more.

Sat 15th June We pray for those persecuted because of their love for you. For those imprisoned, tortured or executed because they worship you, people in Asia and Africa, people who rely on Open Doors and Barnabas Aid as well as Christian Aid and others for food and shelter.

Sunday 16th June We pray for those who are sick that we know who need your help: those who mourn loved ones; those who are caring for loved ones; those who we see on the street who are homeless or addicted to either drugs or alcohol. We pray for those who are struggling to pay bills and with day-to-day living.