



Prayer for Those Affected by the Hill Country Flooding

Memorial Chapel

July 6, 2025

O GOD, whose mercies cannot be numbered: Accept our prayers on behalf of those who have died, and grant them an entrance into the land of light and joy, in the fellowship of thy saints; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 66:10–14

THUS says the LORD: “Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her—that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom. For thus says the LORD: I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm, and dandled on her knees. As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the LORD is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies.”

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM *Exaltabo te, Domine*

Psalms 30

I WILL exalt you, O LORD, because you have lifted me up
and have not let my enemies triumph over me.
O LORD my God, I cried out to you,
and you restored me to health.
You brought me up, O LORD, from the dead;
you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.
Sing to the LORD, you servants of his;
give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.

For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye,
his favor for a lifetime.
Weeping may spend the night,
but joy comes in the morning.
While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed.
You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains."
Then you hid your face,
and I was filled with fear.
I cried to you, O LORD;
I pleaded with the Lord, saying,
"What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit?
will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?
Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me;
O LORD, be my helper."
You have turned my wailing into dancing;
you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.
Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing;
O LORD my God, I will give you thanks for ever.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

THE COLLECTS

O GOD, whose beloved Son took children into his arms and blessed them: give us grace to entrust all those who have died to your never-failing care and love, and bring us all to your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

MOST merciful God, whose wisdom is beyond our understanding, deal graciously with all those who grieve. Surround them with your love, that they may not be overwhelmed in their loss, but have confidence in your goodness, and strength to meet the days to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE INTERCESSIONS

The Person appointed leads the Intercessions, saying

With all our heart, and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For all those who have ☩died, including: Mary Grace Baker, Anna Margaret Bellows, Lila Bonner, Chloe Childress, Dick Eastland, Katherine Feruzzo, Janie Hunt, Sarah Marsh, Linnie McCown, Blakely McCrory, Eloise Peck, Renee Smajstria, Mary Stevens, Hillary Stronger, and all others, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For all those kept safe, including: Bess Albritton, Libby, Margaret, and Claire Aughinbaugh, Lilly and Paige Kummerfeld, Wynne and Perry Doffermyre, Julia Arnot, Ivey Brice, Margaret Bickel, Will and Thomas Turner, Harper Lawrence, Caroline Kipp, and all others, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For all those still missing, for those working to search and rescue, and those who wait for news regarding their loved ones; let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

The People are invited to offer their own prayers and intercessions, whether silently or aloud.

A COLLECT FOR THOSE IN TROUBLE OR BEREAVEMENT

OMERCIFUL Father, who hast taught us in thy holy Word that thou dost not willingly afflict or grieve the children of men: Look with pity upon the sorrows of thy servants for whom our prayers are offered. Remember them, O Lord, in mercy, nourish their souls with patience, comfort them with a sense of thy goodness, lift up thy countenance upon them, and give them peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The People are invited to remain in the chapel for a time of silent prayer. Please feel free to light a candle and pray for those lost or grieving.