



Christian Aid week is from 12th to 18th May this year and so we pray for their work:-

Loving God,
You call us to hear the voices of those enduring extreme poverty.
It is hard to listen to stories of pain.
Show us how compassion for others can bring healing and fullness of life for all.
Help us to understand that we are one through your love,
For every human being is loved by you, beyond measure.

Loving God,
You call on us to build your kingdom of justice, mercy and truth.
It isn't a task for the faint-hearted.
When we lose our sense of purpose, fill us with faith.
When we doubt or throw up our hands in despair, fill us with hope.
When we pass by our neighbour as though we did not know them,
Fill us with the love that turns us back and takes us to their aid.
In Jesus' name,
Amen.

A Prayer of Confession

Creator God, you made us and cherish us as you beloved creation.
We confess that we have failed to care for the world you brought into being.
We have polluted the earth; we have consumed without thought for the future.
We have hardened our hearts and turned away from communities devastated by the climate crisis.

Out of the greatness of you love,
Lord, forgive us.

Jesus, you call us to love our neighbour, to go the extra mile.
We confess that we have failed to love others as you love us.
Too often we have ignored cries for justice.
We have given our energies to protecting what is ours, and have failed to consider the needs of others.

Out of the greatness of you love,
Lord, forgive us.