

Offertory Prayer

Please join me in our offertory prayer found on page 87 (LBW):

Merciful Father, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what You have first given us – ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of Your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of Him who offered Himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

You may be seated as we go to a time of prayer for the people of God and for all people according to their needs.



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE For **Sunday, August 23rd, 2026** Albion

Our Gracious, Eternal God, we thank You this day for the opportunity to gather together in worship and for the instruction of Scripture. We need Your wisdom, instruction and guidance because we often lose our way and our perspective. We need what only You can give us.

Lord, in Your mercy.....**hear our prayer.**

We confess, Lord, that in this competitive society of ours we often want to rise above others. Lend us sober judgement and remind us that we were made for community in the body of Christ.

Lord, in Your mercy.....**hear our prayer.**

Oh, God, remind us not to minimize our gifts and talents You have given us but to present them for the betterment of the Christian Community. Remind us that we are all one Body of Christ and members of one another.

Lord, in Your mercy.....**hear our prayer.**

Lord, we pray for our world. We pray that You, Lord, would implant within our hearts a renewed sense of who we are in Christ Jesus. Help us to demonstrate compassion and love to others in our broken world. Bring peace as well as peaceful and loving hearts.

Lord, in Your mercy.....**hear our prayer.**

We pray, O Lord, for You to comfort all who are suffering and in distress. Hold them in the palm of Your hand and give them the strength and courage to persevere. We especially lift up to You those who are on our minds and in our hearts this morning: (pause for private prayer). Be with them, Lord and give them Your peace that passes all understanding.

Lord, in Your mercy.....**hear our prayer.**

Give us the courage, O Lord, to always be prepared and be bold to share the answer to the world's question of, "Who is Jesus?" By the power of Your Holy Spirit in us, enable us to give a true and loving testimony to who You are and what You have sacrificed for us. Lord, in Your mercy.....**hear our prayer.**

We thank You, Father, that You hear each and every prayer and will answer in Your way and Your time. We claim those answers and give You all the glory in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

Let us join together in the prayer Jesus taught us to pray:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done,
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
And forgive us our trespasses
As we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory,
Forever and ever.
Amen.**

And now receive the morning blessing:

**May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
The love of God,
And the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. *Amen(sung)***

