July 12ᵗʰ & 13ᵗʰ – 5ᵗʰ Sunday after Pentecost

A In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world.

A brief silence.

A Saving God, awaken your church to your truth as it follows your path of love. Encourage pastors, deacons, teachers, and seminarians, and lead them as they seek to learn your ways. Be with Pastor Julie as she prepares for retirement, and be with Pastor Barbara and Pastor Holmer as they prepare to lead Zion's ministry. Be with our call committee, and encourage them to follow in your ways. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

A We give you thanks for the harvests of fruit-bearing bushes, trees, and plants. Uphold farmers and farm workers as they labor through summer days, and bring relief to lands that are parched with heat. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

A Instill in leaders of the world a strong love for their neighbors. Turn the hearts of those who would act out of hatred, and compel them to govern with equity and to give aid and protection to people who are vulnerable, especially strangers, migrants, and asylum seekers. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

A Draw near to people in need of help, comfort, and healing. Today we pray especially for Dorothea, Russ, Laurie, Lester, and those we name aloud or in silence. *(Pause for about 10 seconds.)* Provide protection and aid to children who are in unsafe conditions or and those who are undernourished while on summer break. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

A Go with all who travel, and protect them from harm. Put in their paths people who offer aid. We pray especially for the safety of first responders. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P We give you thanks for all who have gone before us and have made your love known. Help us to follow their witness as we await our share in the inheritance of the saints. God of grace,
hear our prayer.

P Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ.
Amen.