*Readings: 2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33 & Psalm 30 or 1 Kings 19:4-8 and Psalm 34:1-8; Ephesians 4:25-5:2; John 6:35, 41-51*

King of all the earth,

Creator of the universe,

Holy Triune God,

From everlasting to everlasting, you are Lord.

Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord, and let us exalt his name together.

*O taste and see that Our Lord is good.*

We call out in our affliction, and the Lord delivers us from our terror.

*O taste and see that Our Lord is good.*

The Lord gives us his good commandments and feeds us with his living word.

*O taste and see that Our Lord is good.*

The Lord sends us the bread from heaven that gives true life to the world.

*O taste and see that Our Lord is good.*

We will eat and be full, and we will bless the Lord our God for the goodness he has given us.

*O taste and see that Our Lord is good.*

I invite you to add your own praises to the Lord.

***Silence****.*

You are worthy, Holy God, to receive all our praise. We worship you in the glory of your perfect Trinity and ask for grace to steadfastly believe and proclaim your unity.

We pray for your holy catholic church;

*May all people look to Christ and believe in him.*

You, Lord Christ, love us and gave yourself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

*Teach us so to walk in your love.*

Lord Jesus Christ, you are the bread of life;

*Give us this bread always.*

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

*That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.*

I invite you to add your own prayers for the worldwide church.

***Silence.***

Creator of the earth, you spoke the world into existence and sustain all things by your life giving word. Consider the toil and sorrow of the people of the earth and, in your compassion, have mercy on the world.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

*That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

We pray for the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer;

For the refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger;

*Relieve and protect them, O Lord, and grant them eternal hope in you.*

Teach us how to rightly steward the gift of your creation,

*That the resources of the world would be used to your honor and glory.*

I invite your prayers for the needs of the world.

***Silence.***

God of all love and peace, we come to you in faith, offering you access into every area of our lives.

We pray for this congregation, made up of your beloved children;

*May we imitate you in all things.*

Put far from us falsehood and corrupting talk;

*May our words ever give grace to those who hear.*

Help us to be tenderhearted and kind to one another.

*Enable us to forgive others as you have forgiven us.*

We look to you, Lord of all, mindful of our helplessness;

*Glorify your name in the midst of our need.*

I invite you to cast all your cares and concerns on the Lord, remembering that He cares for you.

***Silence***.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

*May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

We believe in you, Lord Christ.

We cry out to you, Father God.

We receive your witness, Holy Spirit.

Abide with us as we abide in you this week and always, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.