

## Universal Prayer

**Presider:** As God's beloved children, let us bring our needs and the needs of the world before the Lord.

- For the church, may we seek unity, directing our energy toward what commonalities, values, and principles bring us together... we pray,
- For our elected officials to enact legislation that ensures all people have access to quality healthcare... we pray,
- For all who suffer with temptations, may God heal them in mind, body, and spirit... we pray,
- For all of us in the family of disciples at St. Pius the Tenth, may we open ourselves to the power of the Spirit and experience the forgiveness God offers... we pray,
- [11am ONLY: For those friends, family, and seekers of faith joining through live-stream, may you take time this week to reflect on God's grace and mercy, granted to us even when we sin ... we pray,]
- For the sick, the suffering, and for those who have died, especially Alice "Ali" Schroeder and Eleanor Ruff... we pray,
- Lector, please remain at the ambo until the following prayer is concluded.

**Presider:** Prophetic God, you sent your Son into the world to speak truth to power. Hear our prayers that in the days ahead we might serve you with courageous spirits. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.