

PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

FATHER GOD, King of the nations, we cry out to you now for the people of Ukraine. We ask you to rescue those who are vulnerable from the hands of their enemies, that they may live without fear before you all their days.

Lord, have mercy.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

LORD JESUS, Lord of lords and Prince of Peace, our politicians are predicting the biggest war in Europe since 1945, and we cry out to you urgently to write another story in our time. Thwart the dark machinations of evil men. Give wisdom beyond human wisdom to peacemakers seeking a just and less violent way. May politicians exercise wisdom from above, which is peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, and full of mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

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Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

HOLY SPIRIT, we pray for the Church in Ukraine, where 70% of the population call themselves Christian. Give our brothers and sisters in that nation courage in this crisis that they may proclaim the good news of your Kingdom, bind up broken hearts, and bring comfort to all who mourn.

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Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

You, Lord, make wars to cease to the end of the earth; you break bows, shatter spears and burn shields with fire. And so we ask you to save the lives of many people in Ukraine. Make a peace that is strong, not weak. De-escalate this crisis. We hear of wars and rumours of war, but you Lord, are our rock, our fortress and our deliverer. And so we address the nations in the name of Jesus and say “Be still and know God. He is exalted among the nations; he shall be exalted in the earth”.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us peace. Amen.