

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL
May 16-17, Ascension of the Lord

O Word of God, ascended to the Father, we thank you for becoming one of us to walk with us and to share with us your experience of our loving God. **God, who remains with us, we pray.**

For the world, that all world leaders may strive to bring about true peace. **God, who remains with us, we pray.**

May we, the church of Jesus for whom he prayed, always strive to live in his love. **God, who remains with us, we pray.**

Come find us, just where we are, and through your mercy and grace, help us to follow you. Send us out into the world to share your love and serve all your people -- as you said.... "even to the ends of the earth."
God, who remains with us, we pray.

Help us to remember that you and your love are incarnate in each of us and that we are an Easter people. May the song of Resurrection live in our hearts. **God, who remains with us, we pray.**

We earnestly pray for all those who are sick. Bring them comfort and strength, and ease their fears and anxieties during this difficult time.
God, who remains with us, we pray.