



## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 03.24.24

Hosanna – come and save us, oh God of this bright-sad season,  
We wait in expectation for the fulfillment of your word for this world.  
We pray for those in our congregation who are unable to be with us this morning. Encourage their hearts and help them feel their connection to this body through the movement of your Spirit.  
Strengthen their bodies and their minds.

Hosanna – come and save us, Lamb of God.  
We seek the beauty of your creation in the faces of our neighbors, those we live among.  
We pray for your church in Central Oregon. Awaken us to the suffering of those around us. Use us as your hands and feet in our city. Save us from hiding in denials or taunts that deepen the hurt; give us grace to share one another's burdens in humble service.

Hosanna – come and save us, Artist of souls.  
You sculpted a people for yourself out of the rocks of wilderness and fasting.  
We pray for your peace for those around the world in the midst of war and conflict. Provide for their needs of shelter, food, and warmth, as well as their needs of dignity and peace. We pray especially for your church in Israel, in Gaza, in Ukraine, in Haiti, and in Russia. We gather in your name, as they gather in your name, and we raise our voices with theirs, "Hosanna, come and save us!"

Help us as we take up your invitation to prayer and simplicity, that the discipline of the past forty days may sharpen our hunger for the feast of your holy friendship, and whet our thirst for the living water you offer through Jesus Christ.

Amen