

Congregational Prayer – Great God

Great God above, below, around, and within us,
You have already heard our praying.
You have seen our praying.
You have felt our praying.
We trust these prayers to you because you love us
and you understand far beyond us.
Whoever we are, whatever our struggles, you hold us.
We trust you to hold our neighbours too, whoever they are,
wherever they are, whatever their struggles.
Like a mother hen, draw us in and protect us in your warmth.
Like a rock, support our steps and urge us to climb bravely.
Like a fire, clarify our purpose.
Like living water, tend our wounds and quench our thirst.
Like a baker of bread, work with what we're made of
and watch us grow to nourish others.
Like a potter, show us the beauty within us,
and shine your light from among us.
In the name and the light of Jesus we pray, Amen.

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