

# SPECIAL COLLECTS

## WILDFIRES

God of fire and water,  
Hear our urgent prayer as we strive to fight  
the wildfires raging around us.  
Sustain our strength,  
keep us from harm,  
and bless our work with success.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## DROUGHT

God, our creator,  
from your womb the whole earth was born.  
Embrace our dry and dying land  
and nourish it with soaking rain  
that pastures, fields, and farms  
may once again be filled with life.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## FLOOD

Lord of all the world,  
your Spirit swept over the waters  
and out of chaos you created the earth.  
Breathe upon the waters of the floods in . . . ,  
and from this devastation make a new beginning.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## HURRICANE OR TORNADO

O God,  
all the elements of nature obey your command;  
we implore you to quiet the storm that terrifies us,  
that the threat of its power may be transformed  
into a reason to give you thanks and praise.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## NATURAL DISASTERS 1

God, our creator,  
you protect our land, its creatures and its people.  
Deliver them from the threat of . . .  
Give them strength and keep them safe.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## NATURAL DISASTERS 2

Lord and ruler of sea and sky,  
whose voice thunders over the noise  
of violent storms,  
spare from harm those under threat from . . .  
and by your power grant them safety and peace.  
We ask this through our Christ Lord. **Amen.**

## HUNGER

God of power and goodness,  
you never fail to provide for all your creatures;  
fill us with an urgent love  
to assist all those in need of food,  
that their hunger may be relieved  
and they may serve you with gladness and trust.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## SICKNESS

All powerful and ever-living God,  
hear us as we ask your loving help for the sick.  
(or for N.)  
Restore their health,  
that they may again offer joyful thanks in your  
Church.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



## DEATH

Lord, in our grief we turn to you.  
You are the God of love who is  
always ready to hear our cries.  
Listen to our prayers for our friend (N.)  
whom you have called from this world:  
lead him/her to your Kingdom of light and peace  
and count him/her among the saints in glory.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## SADNESS

Most merciful God,  
whose wisdom is beyond our understanding,  
surround your family with your love,  
that they may not be overwhelmed by their  
sadness,  
but have confidence in your goodness,  
and strength to meet the days to come.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## PEACE

O God of peace,  
your Son revealed  
that peacemakers will be called your children;  
grant that we may tirelessly promote justice  
that alone brings genuine and lasting peace.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## GUIDANCE

God who guides us,  
give us a spirit of understanding, truth, and peace,  
that we may strive with all our hearts  
to know what is pleasing to you  
and live as your faithful servants.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

