The prayer I’ve written today for our Church’s new prayer wall:  
Holy God,   
as we see signs of new life in the evidence of Spring,   
may we see signs of your Kingdom  
springing up around us —  
in the kindness of neighbours;  
the gracious words of conversations   
by phone,   
by social media,   
over a garden fence.

Holy God,  
may we be signs of your Kingdom  
as we wait patiently in a shop’s queue,  
as we wave to the friend behind the window of isolation  
as we stir in the love for a meal prepared for family,  
as we speak a conversation of hope across the airwaves.

Be with us as we wait,   
as we weep,  
as we watch.

Holy God  
As the silent virus moves threateningly across communities,  
Still us this day to hear your quiet voice;  
Stir us to dance the steps of your Spirit  
Strengthen us to be channels of your love and mercy.  
Amen

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