

## Prayer for the 111th Anniversary of the Armenian Genocide

Gracious and Sovereign God,  
God of mercy, justice, and steadfast love.

We gather in Your holy presence with hearts that remember.  
We remember the sorrow and suffering of the Armenian people,  
the lives taken, the families torn apart,  
the ancient communities uprooted in the darkness of human cruelty.

Lord, we bring before You the weight of history—  
the grief that has not faded,  
the wounds that echo across generations.  
You are the God who sees, the God who knows,  
the God who does not forget.

We lament before You.  
We cry out for all who perished,  
and for all who carried their pain in silence.  
Receive their memory into Your eternal care,  
and grant that truth may shine where denial has lingered.

Compassionate Christ,  
You who bore suffering and injustice upon the cross,  
draw near to those who still feel the ache of loss.  
Comfort the descendants of survivors,  
those whose hearts carry stories of sorrow and resilience.  
Wrap them in Your peace,  
a peace the world cannot give.

We lift before You also the people of Artsakh—Karabagh—  
those who have lost their ancestral homes,  
who now walk the uncertain path of displacement and exile.  
Be their refuge and their strength,  
a present help in times of trouble.  
Provide for their needs, restore their dignity,  
and plant within them a living hope that cannot be extinguished.

Righteous God,  
we confess that all of history lies in Your hands.  
Even in the midst of human sin and brokenness,  
Your purposes are not defeated.  
You call us to be a people of truth,  
a people who remember rightly,  
a people who seek justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with You.

Empower Your Church in this land of Australia  
to stand in solidarity with the Armenian people,  
to bear witness to truth,  
to work for justice,  
and to be instruments of Your peace in a fractured world.

Renew in us the hope of the resurrection—  
that death does not have the final word,  
that light shines in the darkness,  
and the darkness shall not overcome it.

We entrust all who suffer into Your eternal care,  
and we look toward the day when You will wipe away every tear,  
and justice and peace will embrace.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever.

**Amen!**

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