

Our hearts grieve for our Muslim brothers and sisters who were brutally murdered in the attacks on two mosques in New Zealand. We stand with them in solidarity, and we offer our prayers for them, for those who lost loved ones, and for the members of our local Islamic community who are hurting in the wake of this tragedy. As people of faith, we condemn all acts of violence motivated by hatred and bigotry, and we recommit ourselves to working for peace and understanding among people of all faiths and backgrounds. Religious freedom is a core human right, and we all suffer when a house of worship is maliciously attacked. We pray for healing and justice. We pledge to continue our work locally to build positive relationships among all people and work for an end to intolerance and the violence it leads to.

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Bethlehem Lutheran Church
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