

## **The Lord's Prayer**

*(an alternative version from the New Zealand Prayer Book 2005)*

Eternal Spirit,  
Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,  
Source of all that is and shall be,  
Mother and Father of us all,  
Loving God in whom is heaven -

The hallowing of your name echo through the universe;  
the way of your justice be followed by all peoples on Earth;  
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings;  
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain out hope and come on Earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us;  
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us;  
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us;  
From trials too great to endure, spare us;  
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

For you reign in the glory of the power that is Love,  
Now and forever.  
AMEN