

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE – December 20, 2020

REAL GOD

Thank you, Lord God for your Holy Spirit who has been present from the beginning of life and now lives in us to transform us into your holy bride, the church.

REAL CHURCH

National and local leadership

- Primate, **Linda** Nicholls, Bishop **Geoff Woodcroft**, our National Indigenous Archbishop, **Mark** MacDonald, Council of the North, and Bishop of our Companion Diocese, **Michael Lubowa**
- **ELCIC** Bishop Susan Johnson and Assistants Rev. Paul Gehrs and Gretchen Peterson

Church worldwide

- Pray for mission agencies and their ministry throughout the Anglican Communion, including the Mothers' Union around the world.
- ACC - The Rev. Dr. Eileen Scully, Director, and the staff of Faith, Worship, and Ministry;

Diocese of Rupert's Land

- For all those remembering and mourning the loss of loved ones this Christmas season.

St. Aidan's

- Thank you for giving your strength and creativity to our church ministry leaders and staff to carry through during these long pandemic months. May we as members of this local church body continue to seek Jesus and to follow on the path of love and commitment to God and care for each other.
- We especially pray for all the family ministries and small groups as we await Christ's coming.
- Public service workers in the police, armed forces, corrections and civil service workers in the municipal, provincial and federal systems.

REAL LIVES

- We pray for all nations and people who are caught in wars and conflicts. Give courage to those working towards peace and reconciliation.

Missions: We pray for the community of Leaf Rapids

- for the community of Leaf Rapids and their continual protection from the virus.

- for travelling mercies for Gord as he brings up the collection this week.

- for Pastor Abi; may God give him strength to continue serving during this time and may provision be given for all his essential needs.

For those ill and in need. We pray especially for Flo Apetagon and her sons who have lost friends killed in a snowmobile accident in Norway House. *Pause to pray for your own loved ones who are in need.*

For those in hospital, PCH, and home-bound, including those who are self-isolating:

Ellen Spencer, Kathy and David Baird, Luella Hamel, Dorothy and Harold Bell, Kathy Edwards, Joy and John Wood, Betsy Boulter, Bill McKee, Margaret and John Labdon, Betty Thorndycraft, Barbara Slater, David Hatch, Enid Whalley, Herb and Carol Schon, Elizabeth Kemp, Bill Bundy, Helen Murdoch.

For those whose loved ones have recently died, especially Bill McKee in the loss of Sigrid. We pray for strength and comfort for the family.

Lord in your mercy, Hear our prayer.