

In the Name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, AMEN

**REAL GOD.** Ascended Christ, we worship you; Christ, present with us now, we ask for your Spirit to make us brave in the following way. Reign as King in our hearts, and, in the foolishness of the divine love, make us wiser than the ambitions and power games of the world.

### **REAL CHURCH**

**Today** we pray by name for all bishops, priests and deacons in the Anglican and Lutheran worshipping communities, and all whom you have called to leadership in your church. We remember and uphold Justin, Linda, Susan, Chris, Geoffrey, Jason, Greg and Michael.

In the Anglican Communion worldwide, we pray for the the Anglican Church of Burundi

**ACC** The Rt. Rev. William Cliff, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Ontario

**ELCIC** The Assistant to the Bishop and the staff of the Saskatchewan Synod

**ACC/ELCIC** Jerusalem and the Holy Land Sunday; The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land, The Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem, and for peace in the Middle East

**The Counsel of the North:** The Diocese of Moosonee

**Diocese of Rupert's Land:** Our Congregations and Communities, especially the clergy and people of: Church of the Ascension, Stonewall – The Rev. James Gomez, Incumbent

**Central Buganda:** St. Apolo Kivebulaaya Diwawu

Lord Jesus Christ, uphold and protect your priests and ministers and all whom you have called to Christian leadership. As they lead the faithful in the truth of your Word, bless them and give them hearts to love and serve you alone.

**At St. Aidan's** – Today we lift up mothers; those living and those living in our hearts. We pray for all who have demonstrated a mother's love in other roles – stepmothers, caregivers, spiritual mothers, aunts, friends. Lord you know our hearts and can see those who mourn because they want to be moms and have not been blessed in this way. Mary, Jesus' earthly mother, knew the pain of losing a child and we pray for your peace on those who share that experience or who, in faith, are watching their child go through pain. A mother's love is truly a gift from God and we bless you for all who have taken on this role. We pray for your support and encouragement for mothers as they guide their children toward true knowledge and love of Jesus.

**REAL LIVES** – Grant every region of the world that is not at peace, Your peace Lord, the peace that passes all understanding. We especially hold up the people of Israel, Gaza, Ukraine, Yemen for whom war and famine abide together, causing destruction and death. We pray for release for the captives still held in Gaza, and for success of peace talks in the middle east. Remove the barriers and allow for needed food and medical supplies to arrive to the affected regions. Lord God, provider of every good and perfect gift, we thank you for your presence and beseech you to intercede in a wonderful and powerful way to cause help to come to all of these regions.

## **MISSIONS**

We Pray for the learning taking place in the Discipleship Explored course on Tuesday evening. Bless Doug and those who prepare the meal. Continue to Give Your grace and wisdom to the table leaders and to Revs. Merv and Chris as they guide the program. And most of all Lord, bring all whom you want to attend. As we study in absolute freedom, we pray for those around the world who are persecuted for Your Name Lord; they meet in secret, in prisons, and risk everything for the sake of the Gospel. We pray a hedge of protection around them as they live to Glorify Your Name.

### **We pray for those in hospital, PCHs and home-bound**

We remember Barbara, Bill, Carol, David and Kathy, Elizabeth, Harold, Joy, Madeline, Margaret, Pam, Pearl, Sue, Ruth, Deborah and others you may have on your hearts at this time.

We lift up to you all those on our prayer chain and those caring for them.

You have the power to heal our bodies, minds and spirits, Father, and we call on you to do so, in your perfect will and your perfect time.

**We remember and give thanks for all recently departed in Christ and those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time.** Lord, grant all who have lost loved ones, your comfort and your peace as they celebrate lives lived by faith in You.

We offer these prayers, with confidence, trusting that you hear our requests and grant them in your wisdom and mercy, knowing what is best for us.

Lord in your mercy.