

Prayers of the People 4 August 2024 The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 18)

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

REAL GOD. O Christ, your call draws us but never ensnares us; show us what it means to leave self behind and follow you all our days. Teach us to trust you enough to give you everything as raw material for your work of healing and reconciliation in the world; for Your love's sake.

REAL CHURCH

Today we remember and pray 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 Primate Justin, Bishops Linda, Susan, Chris, Geoffrey, Jason, Greg and Michael.

In the Anglican Communion worldwide, we pray for The Anglican Church of Kenya

ACC The Rt. Rev. Helen Kennedy, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Qu'Appelle

ELCIC The Dean, Council, and congregations of the Northern Area of the Synod of Alberta and the Territories

The Counsel of the North The Fall Meeting of the Council of the North

Diocese of Rupert's Land: Our Congregations and Communities, especially the clergy and people of: St. Saviour, Winnipeg – The Rev. Edmund Laldin, Incumbent; The Rev. Ted Nimik, Honorary Assistant; The Rev. Deacon Michelle Barr, Honorary Assistant Deacon

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 – We give you thanks for the safe arrivals of Emry Lydia, second daughter of Richard and Hannah, sister of Ava, and granddaughter to Dave and Elaine. As well a warm welcome to Augustine John David, a first grandson for Jan and Laird Jones.

Today we pray for our ministry leaders, staff and the various hubs at St. Aidan's. Thank you Father for the leadership of Pastors Merv, Chris, Kim and Susan. As we wait, with confidence for you to provide a new Senior Pastor, we wait for nothing. Your message is being preached and the pastoral needs are being filled by your Grace. We thank you for Les, Jyoti, Lynne and Chris, whose skills and compassion enhance all aspects of our parish life. We pray for the continued health and vitality of those who serve you on Vestry and our Hubs. Father, you give each of us different gifts and you call us into service in different ways. Bless and protect your servants that we may serve you with reverence and joy, to the Glory of your Name.

REAL LIVES – Father, the world is yours, you created us and everything in it. We thank you for those who work tirelessly to improve the health of the planet, the seas, the air quality. We pray your blessing on the farmers and market gardeners and all who produce food for your people. We pray for the firefighters who are dealing with the forest fires in North America, remembering especially our brothers and sisters in the northern Manitoba reserves and communities. We pray for a complete restoration of your world; the physical plant and also the hearts and minds of all of the people.

Missions: We thank You for the safe return of the team from Leaf Rapids, and the work that You are doing among the people in that place of great trial and spiritual difficulty. May Your Spirit move in and

among those who have declared themselves to be Yours; keep them faithful and deliver them from evil. We ask your special protection on the children and young people who face much temptation daily; save them from being enticed into mischief and damage.

We pray for those in hospital, PCHs and home-bound, and for those we are blessed to have with us and who, nonetheless, are in need of our prayers.

We remember Barbara, Bill, Carol, David, Elizabeth, Harold, Joy, Margaret, Pam, Pearl, Sue, Ruth, Deborah and Brent, Laird, Terry and Pastor Indy.

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.