

Prayers of the People - October 31, 2021

REAL GOD

God our Father, we worship and adore you for your great mercy and grace to us. You gave us free will to choose. In ancient times, your people rebelled against you and the law, choosing instead, false idols and customs. Today we are bombarded with choices which may be different from those of the ancients, but are no less distracting and dangerous. Father, your Son Jesus came to earth to show us how to live and love, and He died a painful death on a cross for our sins. He was resurrected so that we might have victory over death. Father, guide our feet away from all the divisions and distractions we face, and point us always and forever toward Jesus. Keep us in Your Word and prayer by and through the power of your Holy Spirit.

REAL CHURCH

National and Local Leadership

We pray for:

- our Primate, **Linda** Nicholls and National ELCIC Bishop, Susan Johnson
- our Diocesan Bishop, **Geoffrey** Woodcroft and MNO Synodical Bishop, **Jason** Zinko
- the National Indigenous Archbishop, **Mark** MacDonald
- our Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert's Land, **Greg** Kerr-Wilson
- the Council of the North
- the Bishop of our Companion Diocese, **Michael** Lubowa

Anglican Communion worldwide,

We pray for:

- The Episcopal / Anglican Province of Alexandria

ACC The Rt. Rev. Leslie Wheeler-Dame, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Yukon

ELCIC The president, faculty, students, and staff of Lutheran Theological Seminary, Saskatoon

St. Aidan's

We lift up to you Lord, all those who work in health care professions, remembering at this time, those who attend to the needs of our bodies, minds and spirits: physicians, nurses, rehab therapists, technicians, mid-wives, and all those who assist and support. We know that you are the great healer, Lord and we acknowledge the gifts you have given our health workers. Support and protect them as they are under attack for doing their jobs. Encourage them to be unified in their desire to help others to be restored to wholeness. In your mercy, Lord.

REAL LIVES

We lift up to you Lord those who have no homeland. We pray at this time for the peoples of the middle east in Yemen, Afghanistan, Syria, and Lebanon. Father, we are one people. Jesus is love and he wants us to love each other as we have been loved. We pray that armies and principalities put down their instruments of war and unite to serve all people in need. You are our hope; we pray that you work through the agencies and governments to bring about stability and peace where none exists. We earnestly pray this Lord.

Missions – We pray for the community of Leaf Rapids...

Holy God; we pray for Pastor Abbey as he continues to minister to the needs of this hurting community. We ask that a way be made for his family to soon be able to join him here in Canada. We also lift up Harriet who is such a wise and faithful servant in this community. We ask for improved health; especially with her eyes. Finally, ask for your help with the flooding problems at the church. Help them to find a contractor who is willing and able to travel to Leaf Rapids to fix the flooding damage in the church. May your children soon be able to worship you together in the church building.

For those ill and in need. We pray healing and strength for all who are listed on our prayer chain. Let's pause to pray for those you know who are ill and in need.

For those in hospital, PCH, and home-bound. Kathy and David Baird, Luella Hamel, Dorothy and Harold Bell, Kathy Edwards, Joy Wood, Margaret Labdon, Barbara Slater, David Hatch, Enid Whalley, Herb and Carol Schon, Elizabeth Kemp, Bill Bundy.

We give thanks for those recently departed and pray for the families of those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time.

Lord in your mercy, Hear our prayer.