

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**  
**February 25, 2024    Second Sunday in Lent**

**Real God**

Thank You, Lord, for this season of Lent, which is for your people a time of quiet reflection, prayer, fasting, and focusing on the work completed in your Son, Jesus Christ. Help us to make this time a season of intentionally growing closer to you, to knowing and loving you more personally and joyfully.

**Real Church**

We pray for all the leaders of the Anglican Communion Worldwide. May they always have the heart to discern and submit to your will for your people, and have your courage to guide them in the paths of righteousness.

- The Anglican Church of Tanzania
- ACC The Rt. Rev. John Organ, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Western Newfoundland
- ELCIC The Dean, Council, and congregations of the Georgian, Huronia and Bay Areas of the Eastern Synod
- Council of the North and the Diocese of Quebec
- Rupert's Land and our Congregations and Communities

**St. Aidan's:** We pray for the ongoing search for our new incumbent. Grant Bishop Geoff your wisdom and discernment as he receives the applications, that your anointed choice would be found and brought to us.

We bring before you the AGM following our worship this morning and ask that your Holy Spirit would attend and guide our discussions, conversations and questions. Move us all to attend as your Body in this place, in unity, respect and harmony. Increase in us the awareness that we are members of one another, each with gifts and responsibilities to share for the benefit of your church. May our meeting be filled with a spirit of love for one another. We ask your blessing on Rev. Merv as he chairs the meeting.

**Real Lives**

Missions:

St Aidan's Christian School

-We pray for all the students. In particular, may their attendance improve so that they all may graduate in the proper time. May the parents understand the importance of their education and be a part of the solution to improve their attendance.

-We also pray for the teaching staff, that they will be able to continue at the school next year.

- We lift up Carla the Principal and all the administrators. May they be filled with your wisdom for all the tough decisions and situations they face. We also pray that the new pastor at Calvary Temple finds favor in the school and is willing to grant more space for their growing needs.

**We pray for those who are home-bound, in hospital or personal care homes:**

Barbara, Bill, Carol, David and Kathy, Deb, Elizabeth, Harold, Joy, Margaret, Pam, Pearl. We pray for Madeline and Sue, and quietly speak the names of others who are on our hearts today.

We give you thanks for all those recently departed in Christ, and for those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time. We especially pray for the family of Kathy Edwards as they grieve her recent passing. Comfort those who loved her and grieve her loss. Reassure them with your near presence and divine embrace.

Lord, in Your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**