PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

10/29/23 The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

Real God

Holy Lord God, thank You for Your constant Presence among us and in us by Your Holy Spirit. Thank You for the teaching we have been receiving; give us much grace to apply what we have learnt. Thank you, Lord, for sending the Holy Spirit, and may we seek to be filled daily, that we may grow closer to You.

Real Church

Archbishop Justin Welby; Bishop Linda Nicholls; Bishop Susan Johnson; Interim Archbishop Chris Harper; Bishop Geoffrey Woodcroft; Bishop Jason Zinko; Metropolitan Greg Kerr-Wilson; Bishop Michael Lubowa

The Anglican Church of Melanesia

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

Council of the North -- Archdeaconry of Labrador in the Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador

Rupert's Land -- Our Congregations and Communities

St Aidan's – We pray for Your choice of our new incumbent, and for our patience in the search process. We trust You, Lord, and will always be thankful for Your giving us Pastor Dave and Elaine for a season, who are such wonderful examples of Your Presence among us. May You guide them through the coming unknowns and bring them much peace and joy. And please keep us from anxiety as this parish also faces the unknowns ahead; may this be a time of trusting You completely.

We pray Your blessings on the small groups in our church as we learn from and of Your Holy Spirit.

Missions: Thank You for the privilege of ministering to You through Feed Our Sheep this past Sunday. Thank you for the generous provision of food, for the new people who joined us, and for the two new routes we added. It was so humbling to hear many bless us as we gave them bags of food. May we hold in our prayers those who live in such terrible circumstances; show this city administration how to care for these "least" whom You love so dearly.

Real Lives

We pray for Gaza and Israel, and the terrible effects of this war: on children with PTSD and those who have lost family; on those in refugee camps with little food, water or other needs; for the elderly, and families who have lost everything; and all those who were taken hostage. We pray earnestly for Your rescue and redemption on both sides of the divide.

We pray for Ukraine, now in the back rooms of the media, as the war rages on. We ask Your mercy on families, mothers and children coming to Canada, having to start over again. May we be alert to Your direction as to what You would have us do.

For those of our family of faith in hospital, PCHs or who may be homebound:

Barbara, Bill, Carol, David and Kathy, Elizabeth, Harold, Joy, Kathy, Madeline, Margaret, Pam and Neville, Pearl, Sue and others on our hearts at this time.

Bless all caregivers, who are so often forgotten.

We give You thanks for all those recently departed in Christ, and those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time.

We praise You for hearing our prayers and entrust them to You.

Lord, in Your mercy,

Hear our prayers.