PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 4th Sunday after Pentecost 25 June, 2023

Real God Dear Father of love and mercy, thank You for Your gift of salvation through Jesus' death, resurrection and ascension. We are so unworthy in our stubborn turning to our own ways and stumbling into paths not of Your choice. Thank You for Your Holy Spirit that redirects our hearts and lives if we care to listen, to remain together with You and one another.

Real Church We pray for our church leaders: Bishops Linda Nicholls and Susan Johnson; Indigenous Bishop Chris Harper; Bishops Geoff Woodcroft and Jason Zinko; Metropolitan Greg Kerr-Wilson; and Bishop Michael Lubowa in Uganda.

The Anglican Communion: we pray for the Church of Bangladesh **ACC** Bishop David Parsons; Suffragan Bishops Joey Royal, Annie Ittoshat, Lucy Netser, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of the Arctic **ELCIC** The congregations of the northern area of the Saskatchewan Synod **Council of the North**: Diocese of Yukon

Rupert's Land Congregations and communities. The parish of Kanziira in Central Buganda, The Rev. Babitaza Balaka, Rector

St Aidan's: We pray for the restoration to complete health of Pastor Dave, and ask Your special protection for him and Elaine. We pray for our Sunday School, that you would nudge people to help teach our children in the way You would have them go.

Missions: 1) We pray for **Leaf Rapids**, for their comfort and care after the recent death of Harriet. We pray for the team planning the annual visit from July 8-15. Prepare our hearts to respond to the call to provide needed items.

2) St Aidan's School: We pray for:

- staffing needs in the Fall.
- upcoming renovations
- an encouraging end of the year (June 29th), and for the final staff meeting on June 30th.
- Praise God that the enrollment is looking very positive.

Real Lives We praise You for the ordination of Rev. Deacon Will Gray in St John's Vancouver, in the ANiC Communion. Bless him in his work at St John's, and enable Jourdan as she embarks on a new endeavour with Teach Beyond Canada, and bless their children.

We lift up to you the senior members of our community, with thanks for their faithfulness and steadfastness in You, despite the changes in the Anglican church over the years. Grant them Your near presence as they face life, health and mobility issues. Please give them Your deep peace, so they know how much they are loved.

For those on our hearts, we bring to You (speak names quietly or aloud....)

For those who are homebound, in PCHS or in hospital, we pray for:

Marcie, Kathy, Carol, Barbara, Elizabeth, Harold, Joy, Margaret, David and Kathy, Neville and Pam, Bill.

For those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time,

Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.