Prayers of the People Ascension Sunday May 21, 2023

Real God: Mighty Lord, we know You are in charge of our lives and know all things, from beginning to end. We entrust ourselves and all our difficulties to You asking for such grace and patience to stay on Your level path, our eyes fixed on You with thanksgiving.

Real Church: The Archbishop of Canterbury, The Most. Rev. Justin Welby

- Bishops Linda Nicholls and Susan Johnson Indigenous Archbishop Chris Harper
- Bishop. Geoffrey Woodcroft and Bishop Jason Zinko
- Metropolitan of Rupert's Land, Rev Greg Kerr-Wilson

The Church of the Province of the West Indies; The people and clergy of the Diocese of Ottawa. On Jerusalem Sunday: The Anglican Diocese of Jerusalem, The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land, and for peace in the Middle East The Council of the North: the Diocese of Moosonee

The parish of: St. Stephen and St. Bede, Rev. Murray Still; All Indigenous people working towards ordination and those helping and teaching them

The Parish of St. Paul, Galatiya – The Rev. Paul Nangagala

Real Lives Lord, we continue to lift Pastor Dave up to You, asking for Your grace for his strength and healing. Would You be present to him in a way he has never known before, in the power of Your Spirit. As we wait for him to return to health, we thank you for this man of God and pray that You would bless him with Your deep joy and peace.

We thank you for the Wednesday times of prayer as we seek Your will for our church; for those leading and those attending. May more come together in prayer, made powerful by Your promise that You hear and answer.

We pray for the people of Alberta affected by wildfires, that You would provide for their needs.

Missions: We pray for <u>Leaf Rapids</u> _Heavenly Father, we ask that you continue to strengthen and uphold Pastor Abbey as he serves this hurting community. Provide him wisdom as he serves as both Pastor and youth worker. Protect his family in Nigeria and enable them to join him here.

Lord Jesus, we pray for Harriet, currently in hospital. May you bring her much peace and comfort during this time.

Holy Spirit, we ask you travel with Gord Gilbey this weekend as he drives up north with donations for Leaf Rapids. We ask for travelling mercies and that many are blessed with the clothing and essentials. Amen.

For those in our parish family who are homebound, in hospital or in personal care homes: Allan, Andrew, Barbara, Elizabeth, Harold, Kathy, Laird, Donna, Sue, David, Kathy, Joy, Margaret, Justin, Carol, Bill, Pearl, Pam and Neville.

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

We pray for the Unrau family as they grieve the passing of Helen. We pray for the Purdy family as they grieve the passing of Bryan. We pray for Jyoti Kapoor and her family as they grieve the passing of her brother, Pardeep

Lord, grant them peace.

We offer our prayers and supplications to you, Lord, with confidence, trusting that you hear our requests, know the desires of our hearts, and answer us according to your good and perfect will.

Lord, in Your mercy, Hear our prayer.