Prayers of the People July 9, 2023

Real God

Holy Spirit, you are the strong wind to blow away our selfishness. You are the fire to burn away our sins and make us warm-hearted. You are the gentle dove to make us peacemakers. Together with Jesus, our saviour and the Lord God of all the Heavens, we come to you now.

Real Church

We pray for

- The Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby
- Bishops Linda Nicholls and Susan Johnson; Indigenous Archbishop Chris Harper; Bishops Geoffrey Woodcroft and Jason Zinko; Metropolitan Greg Kerr-Wilson; Bishop Michael Lubowa.
- The Anglican Church of Burundi
- ACC Bishop William Cliff, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Brandon
- ELCIC Bishop Larry Kochendorfer, the people and rostered ministers of the Synod of Alberta and the Territories
- North Diocese of Saskatchewan
- Our congregations and communities in Rupertsland
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St Aidan's: Lord, we lift up Pastor Dave and Elaine as they enjoy some much-needed rest and relaxation on their holiday. We pray for Dave's continuing recovery of health, and also for your travelling mercies for them both, that they would return refreshed and renewed by your holy Spirit. We offer to you the ongoing discernment process of our recent prayer times to understand your plan for St. Aidan's and what it means for us to cast our nets into deeper waters.

Real Lives

We pray for the people affected by natural disasters around the world, especially the people of Alberta and Quebec. We pray for the world's refugees and the countries that are willing to accept and shelter them. Bless all the international organizations working to resettle people from the Ukraine and Sudan. Breathe hope and perseverance into their lives. Protect them in their new countries. We pray for all the murdered and missing indigenous women that their cases continue to be explored to give comfort to their families. Forgive us Lord for the environmental harm done to your precious world.

Missions

We pray protection and travelling mercies on the St Aidans team that is currently in Leaf Rapids. May they experience a meaningful week of ministry and follow God's call with

opportunities to seek and save the lost. Be with the residents of Leaf Rapids and protect them from northern wildfires and be with them in their constant struggles with daily life.

We pray for who are homebound, in hospital or in personal care homes: Barbara, Bill, Carol, Elizabeth, Harold, Joy, Kathy, Marcie, Margaret, David and Kathy, Neville and Pam.

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