PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE October 9, 2022

Real God

Oh God of love, we thank you for your gifts in creation: for our world, and the heavens which tell your glory, for our land, its beauty and its resources and for the rich heritage we enjoy. Creator God, bring us life, Redeemer Jesus, renew us, Holy Spirit, strengthen and guide us.

Real Church

We pray for our primate Linda, ELCIC bishop Susan; Bishop Geoff and Synodical Bishop, Jason; Interim National Indigenous Bishop Sidney Black; Metropolitan, Greg; the Council of the North; and Bishop Michael of our companion Diocese.

ACC/ELCIC: We pray for the Anglican Church of Central Africa and its Bishop as well as the people of the Diocese of Caledonia. In the ELCIC we remember the council and congregations of the North Region of the BC Synod. Lord bless the people and ministries working to address poverty, homelessness and affordable housing.

Diocese of Rupert's Land: We pray for our congregations and communities. Lord, give energy and enthusiasm to all clergy and staff as they enter into a busy church season.

St Aidan's: We pray for those who will be baptised later this morning. Bless them, their parents, and their families with all good things. Be with the Stephen's Ministry leaders and those training to be ministers for congregants who may be experiencing life difficulties. We thank you Lord for bringing new small group members to our gatherings. Encourage and enrich all small group attendees in their fellowship, prayer, worship, and studies.

Real Lives

We continue to pray for the people of the Ukraine. We pray anew for the victims of Hurricane Ian in the United States and for those Maritimers who are still without power after Hurricane Fiona. Give them all resilience, comfort, and patience. We pray continually for indigenous Canadians in their struggles. Lord comfort them as they heal and learn to forgive.

Missions: We remember our sister Joy Ngozi as she ministers in Nigeria and travels for a mission leadership training seminar. We pray Your guidance for her and her mission team, the faculty, and all participants at the seminar, for journey mercies. We ask that You completely restore her vision after her cataract surgery.

We pray for our brother John Dean and for all of those he is ministering to and with in England. May they all be sensitive to Your leading in seeking to restore a true gospel witness in the villages of Teesdale.

For those who are homebound, in hospital or in Personal Care Homes:

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

We remember those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time, and we give You thanks for the life of our sister, Dorothy, for all she gave to our church and beyond in her Spirit-led prayer ministry, and thanks also that she is now with her loving Lord Jesus.

Lord, in Your mercy,

hear our prayers.