

Prayers of the People September 10, 2023

Real God

God of our days and nights; God of sunshine and rain; God of rest and growth, we praise you for the rhythms and patterns in our lives. For the gentle dying of each season and the coming of the next, for the wonder of new birth and the quiet flowing of youth into age. Give us hearts to perceive you, in the unfolding of our years, and help us in this time ahead to make more space for you, the Giver of it all. Amen.

Real Church

We pray for

- The Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby
- Bishops Linda Nicholls and Susan Johnson ; Interim National Indigenous Archbishop Chris Harper; Bishops Geoffrey Woodcroft and Bishop Jason Zinko; Metropolitan Greg Kerr-Wilson; Bishop Michael Lubowa.
- The Church of Ireland
- **ACC** Lynne McNaughton, Metropolitan, and the clergy and people of the Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and Yukon
- **ELCIC** Assistant to the Bishop and staff of the British Columbia Synod, Bishop Larry, the people and ministers of the Synod of Alberta and the Territories
- **Council of the North** Indigenous Spiritual Ministry of Mishamikoweesh
- **Rupertsland** Clergy and people of: St. Cyprian, Teulon – Theo Robinson, Minister – Interlake Regional Ministry; The Archives Committee of the Diocese of Rupert's Land Mary Horodyski, Archivist and Nancy Brennan, Archivist Assistant; Youth in all Indigenous parishes throughout Canada and for those who teach and guide them.

St Aidan's Thank you for our diligent staff that are returning after some time away to rejuvenate for the busy season ahead. We ask that you bless the upcoming start of Sunday School and Youth Group and that young hearts will be won for your glory. Thank you for the co-ordination and volunteers of these groups. We pray too for our many Small Groups as they return to regular gatherings. Bless all those who lead, host and pray for our many attendees.

Real Lives

We pray for the people affected by natural disasters around the world, especially the people of Alberta, BC and the Northwest Territories who have been profoundly affected by wildfires. Help those returning to their communities who may be finding that they have no house structure to live in. We pray for their healing and comfort. We continue to pray for Sagkeeng and Brokenhead First Nations and their murdered and missing indigenous women, that their cases continue to be explored to give comfort, closure and forgiveness to their families.

Missions: In Leaf Rapids we remember and pray over those impacted by the two recent house fires and the two suicides. We pray for those who will have to leave the community because of these uncertain conditions. We lift up Pastor Abbey as he deals with the stress and is feeling burned out, and we praise You for all the work he is doing in the hearts and lives of the people in his community. Give him the

strength and power of Your Holy Spirit to persevere as he ministers to and loves the people of Leaf Rapids.

We pray for those in personal care homes, hospital, or who may be homebound: Barbara, Bob and Madeline, Elizabeth, Harold, Kathy, Sue, David and Kathy, Joy, Margaret, Carol, Bill, Pearl, Pam and Neville and others on our hearts at this time.

We praise your holy name.

Lord, in Your mercy,

Hear our prayer.