Prayers of the People For December 5th, 2021

REAL GOD

Gracious Lord, we come to you today knowing that you keep your promises. Any thought that you don't deliver disappeared when you willingly sacrificed your life for us on a cross for our sins. You came to us as human, fully living the human experience, and even when tempted, you did not falter in your faith in your Father in heaven. Help us, weak and fragile to trust and keep the faith of your promises by and through the strength and power of your Holy Spirit.

REAL CHURCH

National and Local Leadership

- our Primate, **Linda Nicholls** and National ELCIC Bishop, **Susan** Johnson
- our Diocesan Bishop, Geoffrey Woodcroft and MNO Synodical Bishop, Jason Zinko
- the National Indigenous Archbishop, Mark MacDonald
- our Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert's Land,
 Greg Kerr-Wilson
- the Council of the North Dioceses, (December: Diocese of Athabasca)
- the Bishop of our Companion Diocese, Michael Lubowa

Anglican Communion world-wide:

- PRAY for the Anglican Church of Burundi
- ACC The Primate: Archbishop Linda Nicholls and the staff of the Primate's Office of the Anglican Church of Canada
- **ELCIC** National Bishop: Bishop Susan Johnson and the national staff of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada

St. Aidan's

We lift up to you Lord, all of our clergy and staff, Pastor Dave, Chris, Les, Lory, Richard, Chris Chypya. With Advent and the fulfilment of your promise in the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ, we prepare to celebrate in community. We ask for renewed strength and vigor for our team as they pray and prepare for this joyous season. You know the challenges ahead and we also know that they will be called on to serve You with people who are deeply troubled and in need. We ask that you soak them in Your Grace by and through the power of Your Holy Spirit.

REAL LIVES

We pray at this time for:

- Those suffering from the effects of weather and climate catastrophes, especially those in BC
- Those trying to reach destinations which will welcome them as refugees and help them settle
- The homeless of our city

Lord, you are the God of hope and promise. Protect those for whom we pray and grant them resolutions to their suffering according to their needs and Your will.

Mission

Heavenly Father; we ask for your continued provision for all the residents currently at Naomi House. May you continue to provide for both their daily needs as well as their spiritual needs. May they all come to know the true hope of eternal life that can only be found in you. May all the residents and staff be blessed during the Christmas season; and may you bless all of the wonderful people who are preparing the Christmas dinner for them this year.

For those ill and in need.

Heal and restore all on our prayer lists, Lord. We pray especially those known to us and for those known to you alone. Please speak the names of those on your hearts today. PAUSE. Into your hands Lord, we commend them to your care.

For those in hospital, PCH's and home bound

We pray for Kathy and David Baird, Luella Hamel, Dorothy and Harold Bell, Kathy Edwards, Joy Wood, Margaret Labdon, Barbara Slater, David Hatch, Enid Whalley, Herb and Carol Schon, Elizabeth Kemp, Bill Bundy.

For those whose loved ones have died, and for those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time.

(Names)

Lord, in your mercy. Hear our Prayers.