

Prayers of the People – Sunday April 25, 2021

Real God:

Holy and Loving God, these continue to be times of great uncertainty, where many are living with fear and anxiety, many are alone and isolated and all of us are weary from our fight with Covid. Oh Lord help us not to live in this place of despair. Let us consider the Scriptures we have read today where Isaiah reminds us that You Lord, are our strength and our song, You are our salvation, You have done great things. Great are You Lord!!, Great are you Lord!! So we turn to you this morning asking you to refresh and empower us through your Holy Spirit, to be your church to those in need around us.

And so we pray for:

Real Church:

National and Local Leadership of our Church

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

Anglican Communion worldwide,

- Pray for the Nippon Sei Ko Kai (The Anglican Communion in Japan)
- **ACC** The Rt. Rev. Todd Townshend, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Huron
- **ELCIC** The dean, council, and congregations of the Manitoba West Area of the Manitoba Northwestern Ontario Synod

The Diocese of Rupert's Land...

our congregations and communities

- the People of the Parishes of St. George
 - St. George, Crescentwood –The Rev. Linda Parsons and The Rev. Canon Peter Flynn, Honorary Assistants; and their companion parish of All Martyr's Ndoddo, The Rev. Kabuye Noah, Rector
 - St. George, Transcona -The Rev. Helen Kennedy, Priest, The Rev. Deacon Dan Thagard, Hon Deacon Asst. and their companion parish of St. Paul's, Kibibi, The Rev. Mulindwa Festo, Rector.
 - St. George, Davis Point
 - St. George, Westbourne - and those providing sacramental ministry
 - Administration Professionals, especially our parish administrators
- Former students of residential schools as they seek healing, hope and recovery from abuses.

St Aidan's:

We thank You for Your presence and faithfulness among us here at St. Aidan's. Provide wisdom and perseverance to our leadership as they creatively find ways to sustain our community of Faith as we continue to face the challenges each day of the Covid 19 Pandemic. May all our hearts be humble, determined to be an encouragement to each other in this difficult time of isolation.

Real Lives:

WE give thanks and pray for: all medical staff, hospital workers and paramedics, who go to work knowing the risks they face; for medical researchers, seeking ways to prevent and to cure; for home care workers, providing contact and support to those who have no other help; for teachers, worrying about their charges; for farmers, truckers and delivery and grocery store staff, keeping us supplied with food and the necessities of life, for law enforcement staff who stand in harms way and ensure that we can live in a safe and law abiding society.

WE pray for: the sick, and those weighed down by pain, distress, loneliness, and anxiety and we give thanks for the many saints who offer help and support to those in need.

And We Pray that we will beat this virus so that we can return to a life where we do not live in the shadow of its destructive effect on all our lives.

Missions: *We pray for Naomi House...*

- We lift up Lucy and her family. We pray for your Fatherly protection for them all against all attacks. We pray for Lucy's work permit to arrive quickly. We give thanks for the progression of the process thus far.
- We pray for provision and guidance for the new syrian resident, Paul. We ask for your provision for a job so he may provide for himself and his loved ones. May you continually guide him into your presence and the truth of who Jesus really is.
- We pray for the Coffee & Chat program that Deacon Margaret runs. May you bless everyone who attends and we ask that you Spirit guide and lead all of these meetings.

We pray for those who are ill and in need

We pray especially for Merle West and Roshawn Scribe.

We pray for those in hospital, PCHs and home-bound

We remember before you Kathy and David Baird, Luella Hamel, Dorothy and Harold Bell, Kathy Edwards, Joy and John Wood, Betsy Boulter, Margaret and John Labdon, Barbara Slater, David Hatch, Enid Whalley, Herb and Carol Schon, Elizabeth Kemp, Bill Bundy.

Silent Contemplation

We pray for those who have died: for those taken suddenly; for those taken unexpectedly; for the families they leave behind; for their friends; for those who have died alone, and for those who have no one to remember them.

Lord, listen to our prayers, and hear the voice of our supplications, as we, who trust in your word, eagerly await your help: for you are the God of our salvation. This we ask through your Son, our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**