

The Prayers of the People
November 7, 2021
Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost
Celebrating All Saints

Intercessor: The response to each of the petitions is, "Your mercy is great."

Eternal God, you hold firm amid the changes of the world. Hear us now as we pray for the church, the world, and everyone in need.

A brief silence

Merciful God, we give thanks for all who bring your message of hope to new communities. Continue to raise up faithful people to share your gospel of hope, both here and throughout the world. We pray for Todd, our Bishop; Preston, our Rector; and all who participate in leading worship and caring for the needs of our parish. Be with us as we respond with generous love to the many needs of our community and neighbourhood. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Creating God, we praise you for abundant harvests and the goodness of creation. Create communities of care for your earth so that all land, water, and soil will be celebrated and cherished by future generations of saints. May the recent global climate gathering bring action, and not just words. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of peace, we give you thanks for nations of peace that serve as a refuge for all whose homelands are afflicted with violence. Strengthen those who continue to work for peace and support all veterans who carry the scars of war. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of healing, we give you thanks for health care workers who labour constantly to answer cries for help. Bring wholeness to all who struggle with anxiety, depression, addiction, trauma, and all who long for healing in any way, including those we now name aloud, or remember silently. *(A time for reflection and personal prayer)*. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of justice and mercy, we thank you for the feeding ministries in our community, and for meals that bring people together for nourishment and fellowship. Bless all who give their time and talent to prepare, serve, and distribute food, including St. John's Kitchen, Ray of Hope, and others. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God of the ages, we give you thanks for the saints of this congregation who have inspired, challenged, loved, and taught us, including those who have died in the past year - . Wipe away our tears and lead us by their example until we feast together on your holy mountain. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

God our protection and strength, we entrust to you all for whom we pray. Remain with us always, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour. *AMEN.*

We encourage you to take these prayers home with you, or print them, and use them with your daily prayers at home during the week.

IN THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

PRAY for the Anglican Church in Zealand and Polynesia, for the clergy and people, and for our common ministry and mission.

PRAY for Preston our Rector, the churchwardens, and Parish Council, and all who provide leadership in our parish. Pray for the ministries beyond our parish which share our space.

PRAY for Todd, our Bishop; Anne, our Archbishop and Metropolitan; Linda, our Primate; Mark, National Indigenous Archbishop; Marinez, Bishop of Amazonia, our companion Diocese; Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Susan, National Bishop, and Michael, Bishop of the Eastern Synod, Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada.

In the Anglican Church of Canada we pray this week for the Principal, faculty, staff, and students of the Vancouver School of Theology.

In the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada we pray this week for the Principal-Dean, faculty, staff, and students of Martin Luther University College, Waterloo.

IN THE DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

PRAY for parishes, people, and clergy in London Deanery, and especially this week for St. Anne's, Byron; St. George's, London; and St. James Westminster, London.

PRAY also for our companion Diocese of Amazonia, for Bishop Marinez Rosa dos Santos Bassoto, Bishop, and for our common mission and ministry.

FOR MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH

WE PRAY this week for . . . and their families.

FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILY WHO ARE ILL

Mike, Elise, Victoria, Jim, Sylvia, Bill, Brian, For Peter's Family especially Judith, Grace, Franco, Pat, Margaret and George Strack, Hazel, Jeannie, Percival and Janet, Alexander, Margaux, Vivian, Ida, Wayne, Ron and Anne, Tracy.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

PRAY for our parish as we continue to celebrate our life together. We give thanks for our worship which allows us to worship together, either in our church sanctuary, or at home. May

we know your gentle spirit as we welcome both newcomers and those returning after a time away. May we be sensitive to the needs of all members of our parish.

PRAY for the health of people in our community, and throughout the world, as we continue to face challenges in our lives. Be with those who care for the sick and those who serve the public while facing personal health risks. Pray that world health authorities continue to work to find ways to make vaccines available to all people throughout the world. As colder days and nights approach pray especially for all who are disadvantaged by hunger, homelessness, mental illness, and unemployment.

REMEMBRANCE PRAYERS

We remember before you with gratitude, O Lord, those who gave their lives for the cause of freedom. Grant to all of us for whom they died that their devotion may bear fruit in us in more abundant love for others; through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

Out of the darkness of our divided world we cry to you, O God. Let not our hopes perish, nor our sacrifice be in vain. Turn to yourself the hearts of rulers and peoples, that a new world may rise where all people may live as your creation in the bond of your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

The members of the Parish of St John the Evangelist, Kitchener, who died in military service at a time of war:

World War I

George Joseph Beaumont; John MacKessor Bissett; George Herbert Bowlby, Frank Ralph Brown; George Robert Buller; Eric Carthy; Percy Carthy, David Ward Clement; James Edwin Davis; Albert Edward Deal; Harold Dudley, Henry James Figuers; James Snelgrove Francis; Arthur Manuel Hall, William Henry Haskins; Charles Henry Hoyland; Charrles Edward Lampka, Henry John Looker; Clifford Pawson; Walter T. Philip; George Thomas Raines; John Garbett Simpson; William Henry Smith; Percy Thompson; August James Zapfe.

World War II

Henry E. Belanger, James A. Brown, Edward S. Dingley, Lloyd E. Dufton, Arthur C. Hall, George H. Hubbell, Allan Hynd, Douglas P. Kennedy, Peter K. Kennedy, H. D. McCaffrey, G. A. Potter, Oscar H. Rumpel, Gordon D. Sim, Charles L. Tutt, Richard M. Wellein.

They shall not grow old as we that are left grow old. Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them.

In memory of those who have died in the service of others, O God, make us better people, and give peace in our time. AMEN.