Prayers of the People 30 June 2024 The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 13)

In the Name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, AMEN

REAL GOD. Heavenly Father, you love us with a love so profound that we cannot even comprehend it. You gave your church the gift of apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers, sent to equip your people to do your work and build up the church, the body of Christ to the extent that we become mature and full grown in the Lord. Father, we gratefully acknowledge and accept these gifts trusting that the good work God started in us, will continue until it is finished on the day when Jesus Christ comes back again.

REAL CHURCH

Today we remember and pray for all bishops, priests and deacons in the Anglican and Lutheran worshipping communities, and all whom you have called to leadership in your church. We remember and uphold Primate Justin, Bishops Linda, Susan, Chris, Geoffrey, Jason, Greg and Michael.

In the Anglican Communion worldwide, we pray for Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui

ACC The Rt. Rev. David Greenwood, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Athabasca

ELCIC Lutheran and Anglican summer camping ministries

The Counsel of the North: Diocese of Yukon

Diocese of Rupert's Land: All our Congregations and Communities

Lord Jesus Christ, uphold and protect your priests and ministers and all whom you have called to Christian leadership. As they lead the faithful in the truth of your Word, bless them and give them hearts to love and serve you alone.

At St. Aidan's – Today we pray for all of our families. We celebrate with those achieving completion in educational studies; those graduating high school, college and university. We pray for them as they choose their next path whatever that may be. Holy Spirit guide their choices and actions. We pray for rest and re-creation for those travelling by land, sea and air. We place a hedge of protection in You Lord for travelling mercies.

Bless all with warm sunshine and warmer friendships through your gift of grace and mercy.

REAL LIVES – Father, the world is yours, you created everything in it and we are so grateful for the relative peace and prosperity we experience in Canada. Even here and in countries nearby, we are experiencing tensions and divisions. Lord, we pray you to speak into the hearts of all who are angry and engender a spirit of thoughtful discussion and positive resolution. Guard and protect those who are living in life-threatening situations of physical war and fighting. We hold up to you the peoples of Gaza, Israel, Yemen, Ukraine. You Lord are the provider of miracles and we pray fervently that you forgive us all for squabbling and reign Your Peace into the world.

MISSIONS

Leaf Rapids:

We pray for all the preparations for the upcoming mission trip to Leaf Rapids (July 6-13). May the Lord prepare the hearts and minds of the team and all those whom God will bring us to encounter.

We pray for perseverance and courage for Pastor Abbey as he continues to contend with immigration issues in being reunited with his family.

We pray against all sickness in Leaf Rapids (spiritual, emotional, and physical). Especially remembering young Ethan who is battling viral meningitis.

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

We remember Barbara, Bill, Carol, David, Elizabeth, Harold, Joy, Margaret, Pam, Pearl, Sue, Ruth, Deborah, Brent, Laird, and Pastor Indy.

We lift up to you all those on our prayer chain and those caring for them.

You have the power to heal our bodies, minds and spirits, Father, and we call on you to do so, in your perfect will and your perfect time.

We remember and give thanks for all recently departed in Christ and those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time. Lord, grant all who have lost loved ones, your comfort and your peace as they celebrate lives lived by faith in You.

We offer these prayers, with confidence, trusting that you hear our requests and grant them in your wisdom and mercy, knowing what is best for us.

Lord in your mercy.