

Prayers of the People
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost, September 18, 2022
Season of Creation
Intercessor: Mary Lou Kingham

Creating God, we acknowledge that we are on the ancestral land of the Anishinaabe, Attawandron and Haudenosaunee people, the Dish With One Spoon Covenant and Huron Tract Treaty. In this season of creation awaken in us a sense of wonder for the earth and all that is in it. Teach us to care creatively for its resources.

Creator, Hear and Have Mercy

Creating God, we pray for Todd our Bishop, Anne our Metropolitan; Linda our Primate; Sidney, Interim National Indigenous Bishop; Marinez, Bishop of Amazonia and all Bishops, Priests, Deacons and Lay Leaders. Enliven the church for its mission that we may be the salt of the earth and light to the world. Give us the power to reveal Christ in word and action.

Creator, Hear and Have Mercy

Creating God, lead us and every people into ways of justice and peace that we may respect one another in freedom and truth. Inspire with your wisdom those whose decisions affect the lives of others. We pray for the people of the Occupied Territories, Ukraine, Afghanistan, Sri Lanka, Ethiopia, South Sudan, Yemen, Taiwan, Libya and Pakistan that they may experience freedom from want, natural disasters and the ravages of climate change.

Creator, Hear and Have Mercy.

Creating God we pray for this city of Stratford and all communities represented here today. Give grace to all whose lives are linked to ours. May we serve Christ in one another, and love as he loves us.

Creator Hear and Have Mercy,

Creating God, we pray for the people of the James Smith Cree Nation and Weldon communities as they seek your comfort for this unspeakable act. God of hope, comfort and restore all who suffer in body, mind or spirit and for those who have asked us to pray for them: *Marilyn, Angela, Niki, Rob, Judy, Richard, Mary, Robert, Bob, Heather, David, Stephen, Doug, Jean, Jeenie, Jim, Maribel, Carol, Ed, Ellen, Nancy, Kat, Diane, Eric, Terry, Susan, Jim, Glenn and Chuck.*

Creator Hear and Have Mercy.

Creating God, we pray for those in our St. James family who are celebrating birthdays this week: *Alexander Ellison, Laurie Childs, Marion Davis,* and for those celebrating anniversaries: *The Venerable Nancy Adams and Paul Almas, Grace and Scott Langford.*

Let us always be mindful that there are many who feel they have nothing to celebrate and no one to celebrate with.

Creator Hear and Have Mercy.

Creating God, we remember our Sovereign Lady Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth with thanksgiving and commend her to your everlasting love and care. We remember our brother Ted Jeffrey and Tiffany who died alone in a sand dune in South Huron. We pray for all who have died in the faith of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone. May they rest in peace and rise in glory. May light perpetual shine upon them. We ask your comfort for the Royal Family and all those who mourn the loss of a loved one.

Creator, Hear and Have Mercy

Everlasting God, we pray for Charles our King. Bless his reign and our nation. Help us to work together so that truth and justice, harmony and fairness flourish among us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

Amen

*The Church of England