



## **Northminster Presbyterian Church**

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### **Daily Prayers**

*Week of March 30-April 3, 2020*

#### **A Prayer for Those Who Are Worried about the Spread of the Coronavirus**

1 John 4: 18,

There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear.

Gracious God, we know that worry and fear are not of Your heart. As we remember that perfect love casts out all fear, we pray for Your perfect love upon the hearts of all those who are burdened with the fear of this virus. Lord, we know with no doubt that You are bigger than the threat of anything, especially illnesses. Please comfort those who are living in fear, please free them from the bondage that anxiety creates within. Help those who are living in unease to trust You in this time so that we may rest assured that You will be faithful now and until the end of the age. In Jesus' name, Amen.

*Prayer adapted from Crosswalk.com*

## ***Monday***

### **For the people of the congregation:**

Adam Williams; Craig and Sara Williams; Logan and Aria Williams; Jackie and Jim Wilson; Norma Wilson

### **For those dealing with injury or illness:**

David Furuness; Carl Schlabach; Abby Eberhard; Sean Litel; Carol Campbell; Betty Bowers; Carol Mann; John Litel

### **For those grieving:**

Family and friends of Douglas Cruzan; William Foston; Lorna Shoemaker; Mary Sue George; Mary Calkins

### **For our missions:**

Westminster Neighborhood Ministries

### **For this local community:**

Meridian Highland Neighborhood Association

### **For the churches in our Presbytery – their leaders, members and mission:**

Westfield-Crossroads

### **From the Presbyterian Mission Yearbook of Prayer: From the World Council of Churches ([oikoumene.org](http://oikoumene.org)):**

Anglican Church of Korea

### **Those who are helping with the health emergency:**

Doctors, nurses, therapists, all hospital personnel, nursing home caregivers, pharmacists, grocery store employees, social workers, teachers, EMTs, firefighters, and police officers.

### **Those who are struggling during the health emergency:**

Small business owners and employees, restaurant owners and employees, those suffering financially, the vulnerable elderly, the isolated, the anxious, and those whose medical treatment has been postponed.

### **Our church staff and leadership:**

Tim McElroy, Lori Schlabach; John Wright

## ***Tuesday***

### **For the people of the congregation:**

Clint, Molly, Sam, Elliot and Mary Winkler; John and Krista Wright and Ian Clarke;  
Jo Wright; MaKonen, Abrehet Gebrenegus, Merhowe, Keflome and Tesfome  
Wube

### **For those in hospice care:**

Sara Stallings, Charlotte Chadwick

### **For our missions:**

Craine House

### **For this local community:**

Meridian-Kessler Neighborhood Association

### **For the churches in our Presbytery – their leaders, members and mission:**

Winchester First

### **From the Presbyterian Mission Yearbook of Prayer:**

Caldwell Presbyterian Church, north of Charlotte, NC, has come back to life by examining everything they did via a “justice audit.” They asked new questions, such as: How do we understand our identity as servants of God? What are our personal motivations for getting involved in missions work? What perspectives of privilege do we bring to this work that create blind spots for how we view those we seek to help? Are we willing to listen and learn, to let go of ill-informed notions about the causes of our city’s woes? Are we willing to be uncomfortable?

“This hunger for justice will have us reassessing all we do. We will educate ourselves about the root causes of local social challenges and how they can best be reversed. We will assess our mission partners for how they view and treat their clients. Do they treat them as partners in the process of their rebound and recovery?”

### **From the World Council of Churches ([oikoumene.org](http://oikoumene.org)):**

Christian Methodist Episcopal Church

### **Our church staff and leadership:**

Ruth Moore, Denise Harrington, Nancy Sala

## ***Wednesday***

### **For the people of the congregation:**

Nancy Wynne; Jody, Zachary, Megan, Aidan and Allyson Yohn; Mark Yohn;  
Betty Young; Marcia and David Young; Pam Young

### **For those dealing with chronic illness or long-term treatment:**

Jack Mart; Cathryn Siegrist; Barb Jones; Sandy Frankovitz; Bill Siegrist;  
Ellen Williams; Teresa Siegrist; Chris Ellington; Jackie Schmidt; Terri Hubbard;  
Jim Mann; Bill Dynes; Major Rhodes; Kelly Stanley; Kim Leech; David Parsley;  
Jodi Sprague; Bret Fackler; Lee Morack; Becka Snider; Yumi Perkins; Bob Bork;  
Mary Tarbell

### **For our missions:**

Julian Center

### **For this local community:**

Meridian Street Historic District Neighborhood Association

### **For the churches in our Presbytery – their leaders, members and mission:**

Zionsville

### **From the Presbyterian Mission Yearbook of Prayer:**

Glasgow (Kentucky) Presbyterian String Academy was born because the church paid attention to what God was saying when the local school district cancelled instruction for violin and cello players. The Presbytery of Mid-Kentucky provided a six-year grant to help fund tuition. “Playing any instrument is challenging, and requires dedication and focus,” said Morgan Thomas, the academy instructor. “Along with that comes self-responsibility, which some students may not have had to assume previously. ... For me, my goal is not for my students to become professional musicians, but rather to be more sensitive, compassionate and intellectual human beings.”

### **From the World Council of Churches([oikoumene.org](http://oikoumene.org)):**

Church of Bangladesh

### **Our church staff and leadership:**

Susan Glant, Melissa Hopkins, Marland Pittman

## ***Thursday***

### **For the people of the congregation:**

William, Sara and Emma Zerkel; Jenny Abbott;  
Jim, Liz and William Aelick; Eileen Alsop

### **For those who are homebound:**

Marge Ashby, Diantha DeGraw, Mary Garrett, Joyce Hall, Juanita Cox;  
Char Swenson, Mary Kask

### **For our missions:**

Interfaith Hospitality Network

### **For this local community:**

Rocky Ripple Neighborhood Association

### **For the churches in our Presbytery – their leaders, members and mission:**

Anderson First

### **From the Presbyterian Mission Yearbook of Prayer:**

In the summer of 2015, clergy from varying denominations in Midway, Kentucky sat down together. Seeds for a new cooperative youth group — Locally Grown — were planted. Five years later, the youth group, a ministry of Midway Presbyterian, Midway United Methodist, Midway Christian, Historic Second Christian, St. Matthew African Methodist Episcopal and Midway Baptist, has become deeply rooted in its community. Youth gather weekly at Midway Presbyterian, then they walk to either another church or public location for their actual meeting or to participate in an activity or service project. The weekly meetings include the pastors from the participating churches, providing the teens an opportunity to understand other expressions of faith.

### **From the World Council of Churches ([oikoumene.org](http://oikoumene.org)):**

Church of Central Africa Presbyterian Blantyre Synod

### **Our church staff and leadership:**

Carol McDonald, Marko Petričić, Jonathan Petersen

## ***Friday***

### **For the people of the congregation:**

Stephanie, Robin, Jenice, Solomon and Blake Alexander and Danielle Howard;  
Nancy Andrews; Barb Angotti

### **For those going through a difficult time:**

Tom and Gail Fields and family, friends of Robin Litel  
Those looking for work or are underemployed

### **For our missions:**

Kenya Scholarship

### **For this local community:**

Warleigh Neighborhood Association

### **For the churches in our Presbytery – their leaders, members and mission:**

Avon-White Lick

### **From the Presbyterian Mission Yearbook of Prayer:**

#### **PC(USA) Agencies' Staff**

Willow Weston, the founder and director of a 1001 new worshipping community, *Collide*, in Bellingham, Washington, says it began as a Bible study with some 20 college-aged women. Sensing God was calling them to experiment with a new ministry for women, Weston and those in the Bible study began to invite women of all ages, stages, experiences and faith backgrounds — imperfect and broken — to come to a conference, collide with Jesus and be transformed. From that moment, *Collide* began to grow into what it is now — a partner ministry of the Northwest Coast Presbytery and all three PC(USA) congregations in Bellingham.

### **From the World Council of Churches ([oikoumene.org](http://oikoumene.org)):**

Council of Baptist Churches in North East India

### **Our Leadership:**

Session, Deacons, Trustees, Stephen Ministers, E -Team, Christian Education Team, Mission Team, Personnel Committee, Congregational Life Team, Worship Team, Pipe Organ Task Force, Foundation, Support Team (Finance, Building & Grounds, Stewardship), Pastors, Support Staff, the congregation