



Northminster Presbyterian Church

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Daily Prayers

Week of -July 13-17, 2020

Celtic Tradition Prayer

Keep my anger from becoming meanness.

Keep my sorrow from collapsing into self-pity.

Keep my heart soft enough to keep breaking.

Keep my anger turned toward justice, not cruelty.

Remind me that all of this, every bit of it, is for love.

Keep me fiercely kind.

Amen.

Laura Jean Truman

Monday

For the people of the congregation:

Steven and Melodie Sarver; Frank Sauer; Carrie Savage-Zimmerman and Kevin Zimmerman;

For those dealing with injury or illness:

Betty Bowers; Sean Litel; Edward Vance, brother of Denise Harrington; Prentice Pascoe, relative of Denise Harrington; JaNia Harrington, daughter of Denise Harrington; Paul Matteson, son of Nancy Sala; Pat Freije; Lauren Robinson; Bill Barrett, friend of Ruth and Mark Moore; Donna Jo Easton, mother of Abby Eberhard; Rick Melton; Dave Mattingly, family of Susan Glant

For those grieving the loss of:

Linda Ball Turner, sister of Cheryl Jacklin and Lynda Cline; Bob Rogers; Mason Garvey, friend of Robin Litel; Norma Wilson

For our missions:

General Assembly mission programs

For this local community:

Keystone-Monon Neighborhood Association

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

Greensburg-Kingston

From the World Council of Churches (oikoumene.org):

Presbyterian Church of Pakistan

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:

Charlie, Aime and David Scheuermann; Kathy and Bodo Schick; Blake, Lori and Evan Schlabach; Emma Schlabach

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; Mary Tarbell; Scott Newman; Suzan Stoops

For our missions:

Synod of Lincoln Trails mission programs

For this local community:

Mapleton-Fall Creek Neighborhood Association

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

Greensburg-Springhill

From the Presbyterian Mission Yearbook of Prayer:

Luke Rembold is grateful for the way he sees Young Adult Volunteers (YAVs) responding to the circumstances of the COVID-19 crisis. Rembold is site coordinator of the Albuquerque YAVs for the Presbytery of Santa Fe. He sees the YAVs finding strength, resilience and opportunities for them to take leadership roles. Some have used their knowledge of technology to help their congregations think digitally and help with new ways of worshiping. Another was working in the field providing important data about the homeless population. “It’s been fascinating to watch and see how excited he is about what he is doing. He’s been thrilled to learn something new and engage with people in a new way.” Rembold believes many of the core tenets of the YAV program have helped because they have been enacting practices like intentional community all along.

From the World Council of Churches (oikoumene.org):

Protestant Church in Timor Lorosa’e

Our church staff and leadership:

Ruth Moore, Denise Harrington, Nancy Sala

Wednesday

For the people of the congregation:

Jeff, Donna, Michael, Andrew, and Lauren Schmahl; Jackie Schmidt; Jamie and Dick Schulte; David and Susie Scott

For those in hospice care:

Charlotte Chadwick

For our missions:

Whitewater Valley Presbytery mission programs

For this local community:

Meridian Highland Neighborhood Association

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

Greenwood

From the Presbyterian Mission Yearbook of Prayer:

Presbyterian Churches across the country are stepping up to feed the hungry, using ingenuity and elbow grease to help their communities. From converting their little book libraries to little food pantries to providing curbside service, Hunger Action Congregations are feeding individuals and families. These congregations are recognized and resourced by the Presbyterian Hunger Program. “Through One Great Hour of Sharing, PHP is able to network with and support these and other excellent congregational ministries,” PHP coordinator Rebecca Barnes said. Second Blessings food pantry at First Presbyterian Church of Union, Missouri, has been experiencing increased demand for food in recent weeks. Various things in the food system will contribute and compound this problem, including the tightened U.S.-Mexico border and a predicted shortage of farm workers. In Union, people who used to visit Second Blessings could come indoors to shop for food. For the last three weeks, the food has been distributed outside, with steps being taken to ensure that volunteers remain a safe distance from families.

From the World Council of Churches(oikoumene.org):

Province of the Anglican Church in Rwanda

Our church staff and leadership:

Susan Glant, Melissa Hopkins, Marland Pittman

Thursday

For the people of the congregation:

Matt, Amber, Skylar, Henry and Steven Senseny; Mike, Julie, Leah and Stella Shannon; Mary Shebek; Douglas and Teresa Sherow

For those who are especially homebound:

Marge Ashby, Diantha DeGraw, Mary Garrett, Juanita Cox, Mary Kask

For our missions:

PYOCA Church Camp

For this local community:

Meridian-Kessler Neighborhood Association

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

Hartford City-First

From the Presbyterian Mission Yearbook of Prayer:

Three PC(USA) ministries receive OGHS financing. One Great Hour of Sharing is dedicated to aiding the missions of people who lack access to sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education and opportunity. Self-Development of People partners with community groups of low-income people by providing grants to many projects in the US and globally. The Presbyterian Hunger Program, whose mission is “to alleviate hunger and eliminate its causes,” partners with organizations and churches that serve those who will be hardest hit by this crisis. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, a ministry that provides immediate and long-term assistance to disaster-affected areas, announced the drawing of over \$2 million from its reserves. The grants will be divided between international response and grants to mid councils and their congregations to support work in response to and impacted by the COVID-19 outbreak.

From the World Council of Churches (oikoumene.org):

United Protestant Church of Curacao

Our church staff and leadership:

Carol McDonald, Marko Petričić, Jonathan Petersen

Friday

For the people of the congregation:

John Shreve; Will Sibley and Dawn and Lela Boys-Sibley; Casey Siegrist; Sara and Leonard Simpson

For those going through a difficult time:

Tom and Gail Fields family, friends of Robin Litel;
Tanya and Loretta, friends of Melissa Hopkins

For our missions:

World Hunger initiatives from the General Assembly

For this local community:

Meridian Street Historic District Neighborhood Association

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

Indianapolis-Fairview

From the Presbyterian Mission Yearbook of Prayer:

Known for their creativity and their ability to improvise, pastors and church educators are reaching and ministering to the most senior members of their congregations. At St. Andrew Presbyterian Church in Tucker, Georgia, they are mailing everything to people who have limited access to technology. The church tries to engage members of all ages throughout the week, with Musical Mondays, when a different piece of music is highlighted; Tickle Tuesdays when members tell jokes to one another; Big Table Wednesdays which involves talking with fellow members during mealtimes; Newsletter Thursdays, the day of weekly publication; and Church as Prayer Fridays, during which members pray for one another via telephone or Zoom. “Older adults are participating”. Pat Baker said. They just want somebody to acknowledge that they are still here; just a phone call away. It’s important that everyone be contacted.”

From the World Council of Churches (oikoumene.org):

United Reform Church

Our Leadership:

Session, Deacons, Trustees, Stephen Ministers, E -Team, Christian Ed 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