THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

***Celebrant*:**

We bless you, God of glory, for you have visited your people in one like us in all things but sin, and in human fragility you have revealed the face of divinity. You have claimed us as your people and entrusted the justice and holiness of your creation to our hands and hearts. Hear the prayers we offer this day on behalf of this world.

READER ONE

My sister Karla R has been living with long covid. Please pray for her health and the strength to meet the day whatever she may be experiencing.

Prayer for Karen P to heal her broken leg.

Please pray for Jim that his cancer will be cured.

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READER TWO

Pray for my sister Andrea (and Rose too) that her total knee surgery goes well on December 2. Last time on the other knee they nicked her patella tendon. She needs to help take care of her handicapped son a soon as possible.

Please help and keep safe Barbara, Rita, Jerry.

Prayers for Gregory and family.

Prayers for my brother to recover from his addiction and be healthy and happy.

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READER THREE

Please say a prayer for Margaret (Peggy). She passed away 2.5 years ago.

Please say a prayer for the Brennan Family for the loss of Debbie this past Wednesday (in November).

Please say a prayer for Angel on the loss of her husband and Dave and Pose on the loss of their son. Also, those who have lost loved ones.

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READER FOUR

Prayers for Janet C – this friend of mine has spent 18 days in November in the hospital with serious health issues. She is on the mend but needs prayers for her recovery.

Prayers for Pamela M, Steven T, Mauro P, Debbie B.

Prayers for my younger brother Kevin who just had surgery at South Shore Hospital. Asking for a speedy recovery (gall bladder). Thank you.

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READER FIVE

We pray for our brother Hank, and hope he regains his health. And for our lovely Mom who takes care of us.

Prayers for all people celebrating alone or after the loss of a loved one this holiday season.

Our family wants the best for our Abuela who suffers from dementia. We want her to be happy and spend the rest of her time with us the happiest she can be.

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READER ONE

Good health. Families able to enjoy the holidays together!

Prayers for the bride and groom! Also prayers for Mary W, Gordan and Priscilla, Cassandra, Edie, Seraphina, Caleb and David.

Prayers for my son and his wife and little girl as their marriage breaks up.

Prayers for family tensions.

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READER TWO

Stay blessed and be safe.

Prayers for Rev'd Amy's health and mission.

Prayers for Church volunteers – feel like friends. They are like Jesus.

Prayers for my dog Lacie. She died and I miss her.

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READER THREE

Prayers for James R.

Prayers for the Stephanson family that we may find peace and resolve during an unimaginable time of grief, loss and sadness.

Prayers for the family of Anna (my mother's roommate who passed away); Eva and her family (lost brother) and Nancy (lost her husband).

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READER FOUR

Also, prayers for my daughter as she is under a lot of stress with school, work, friends, and DECA.

I would like have a prayer for strength to get through Junior year of high school happy, healthy, and successful with my studies. Thank you.

Prayers for a speedy resolution to my sleep issues.

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READER FIVE

Prayers for Lexi and Ludwig navigating transition to adulting.

For Devin and family – that their dysfunction may be healed.

For Kent and recovery from lung cancer.

For Shannon healing from anxiety.

For Margaret – because we love her.

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READER ONE

Prayers for healing from cancer – advanced. Prayers for David C, father of three and devoted husband.

Prayers for health, upcoming MRI, ultrasound, biopsy mammogram, and oncology appointment and strength for family.

Prayers for Dola M for continued recovery from surgery.

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READER TWO

In loving memory of Suzanne Manoogian Lehnertz.

Please God grant us a healthy pregnancy after two miscarriages.

Prayers for a healthy recovery for Ms. L.

Prayers for a special young man on the West Coast who is finding his way.

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READER THREE

Prayers for all who are hungry and displaced; for all who are feeling confused or cast down.

Pray for my Quincy neighbor who was pulled over and taken away. His children don't know where he is. They are scared.

For those in our Diocesan cycle of prayer: the Churches of the Alewife Deanery: Church of Our Redeemer, Lexington; St. James' Church, Somerville; Christ Church, Waltham; Congregation of St. Peter at Christ Episcopal Church, Waltham; and Church of the Good Shepherd, Watertown.

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READER FOUR

Prayers for my mother-in-law Gina who is fighting a battle with cancer.

Prayers for my nephew Paul to get to see his daughter after not seeing her for 2-3 years.

A prayer for my dear friend, Susan L, as she suffers from a long term life threatening disease.

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READER FIVE

Prayers for Thaddeus.

Prayers for the marriage and relationship of Megan that she and her husband John would reconcile and turn to Christ.

Prayers for Dennis' receiving a new kidney on December 9, 2025.

Prayers for my son John and all people who are dealing and living with cancer.

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READER ONE

Prayers for myself: I lost my job in November. Friends and church are our refuge in uncertain times. Bless St. Andrew's.

I would love prayers for my lungs that are inflamed and my overall health. Prayers for finances and inner peace for my soul.

Prayers for Aunt Maria for her back to be healed so she can walk.

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READER TWO

Prayers for my mother Anita for her anxiety and fears for her health. She could use peace with the next stage. She's not terminal and is making herself sick with worry.

Prayers for continued good health, blessed with caring healthcare providers.

Prayers for John and Milla Fr, John G, Sue G, Jan F, Pat H

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READER THREE

Prayers for my sisters.

God please attend to and lift my depression, and for my sister's back problems and pain, for my brother-in-law's surgery and their caregivers and for my best friend's surgery.

Please pray for those who need surgery or are hospitalized during this holiday season.

Prayers for my parents Dick and JoAnne for health and peace and grace.

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READER FOUR

Pray for my late wife Heather Rose. We lost her too young from cancer.

My prayer is for my uncle who is now in heaven. I hope that he is doing well. I am also praying for my cousin (his son) he is sick at the moment and I hope that he gets better.

Lift this crushing grief from me so that I can care for my family again.

Please pray for the National Guard including my sister who doesn't like her posting.

I pray for the president who is not my enemy but is causing me pain.

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READER FIVE

Prayers for those who are experiencing hardship especially around the holiday season whether that be from hunger, losing a family member, mental health, etc.

I pray for health and peace for all.

Prayers for all of the people in Gaza and our brothers and sisters in Ukraine and all oppressed areas.

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READER ONE

Pray for Dillon, Benjamin, Olivia and Lucy who will be baptized, receiving the sacrament of new birth, on January 11.

Let us pray Our Father and Hail Mary for our needs.

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Celebrant: Light of life, you came in flesh, born into human pain and joy, and gave us power to be your children. Grant us faith, O Christ, to see your presence among us, so that all of creation may sing new songs of gladness and walk in the way of peace. Hear our prayers and gather into your arms all the peoples of the world, so that in your embrace we may find blessing, peace, and the fullness of our inheritance as your daughters and sons.
Amen.