



This is a living document and intended to be fluid each month as we include your prayer concerns. If you have a prayer request or an update of an existing prayer need for yourself, a family member, or friend, you can easily submit them digitally via the "pew card" at <https://blcfairport.org/share-in-worship/>.

Alternately they can be shared by contacting the church office or a pastor.

An asterisk (*) before a name indicates a new addition to our prayer concerns or a change in status.

We enfold in our prayers those who grieve, especially the family and friends of:

*Christopher Fetzeck, nephew of Rich and Sue Towsley, who died on 12/27

*Jim K., godfather of Roger Kolker, who died on 12/30

*Mary Stephens, who died on 12/28

Our prayers embrace those in need of healing in body, mind or spirit, especially:

*Morey Rasbeck

*Steve Findley, neighbor of Kathy Moragne

*Frank White, friend of Kathy Moragne

*Roberta Beyer, sister of CarolynAnn Straub
Carol, friend of Kathy Moragne

Dawn Woodruff, niece of Sue Towsley

Brian, Learning Links leader

Donna Berner

Sara Egbert, daughter of Pat Egbert

Margaret Maxa

Lisa Quinn

Jim Bucchin, husband of Mary Osgood's cousin
Jesse

Brian Burke

Ritva Erkkila, mother of Marja Roney

Ros. Siegel

Dana and Sylvia, uncle and aunt of Neil Vokes

Sandy Parsons, sister of Susie DePasquale

Peter Mann

Bob Purvis

Ed Cole, father of Sandy Goehle's daughter-in-law
Waverly, friend of Phyllis Stock

Carol Stevens, sister of Kathy Moragne

Joe and Susan Grondin, neighbors of Kathy Forney

Riley, nephew of Kathy Moragne

Eva, granddaughter of Kathy Forney

Linda Juers

Jim Cook

Chris, son of Learning Links tutor

Helen Donlon, mother of Joanne Swanson

Nancy Meyers, sister of Pastor David Gerhardt

David, brother of Julie Stolze

People of Zimbabwe

a blessing for keeping your heart soft when everything is broken – Kate Bowler

Blessed are you who see it all now. The terrible, beautiful truth that our world, our lives seem irreparably broken. And you can't unsee it. The hungry kid. The exhausted mom. The woman who wonders if any of this is worth it. The loneliness and despair.

Blessed are you who glimpse reality and don't turn away. This kind of seeing comes at a steep cost, and it is a cost you may not have paid intentionally, but here you are. Seeing things clearly. Blessed are you who have worked hard to keep your heart soft. You who live with courage, fixing what is in your reach, praying about what is not, and loving, still.

May you experience deeper capacity and glimpses of hope, as you continue to see the world as it is. Terrible. Beautiful. Fragile.

** This blessing can be found in *Good Enough: 40ish Devotionals for a Life of Imperfection* and at katebowler.com/free-blessings/

We remember in prayer all those undergoing cancer treatment that they may be nourished and encouraged with God's hope and healing, especially:

*Emily Richards, friend of Pastor Amy
David Meier, brother of Ron Meier
Bill Bitner, brother of Sue Cardinal
Ray McKemie, brother of Rosemarie Kolker
Karen Bigenwald
Marianne, friend of Dave Wideman
Taylor Hosey, niece of Kathy Moragne
Kit, friend of Donna and Jim Berner
Sandra Smith, sister of Jan Sharp
Clarence Gerhardt, father of David Gerhardt

Donna Wells, friend of Chris Meetze
Lorie, friend of David and Marsha Gerhardt
Melanie S., colleague of Mike Koncilja
Carrie Falzone
Abby Teasdale
Dick Johnson, brother of Sherry Cook
Fran Howell
Eddie Matos, friend of Alli O'Malley
Derek Anderson
Adam Greenly, a family friend of Kim Kulik

We bring those who cannot be physically present among us in worship into our presence with our prayers, especially:

Morey Rasbeck, at Parkwood, Macedon
Mary Hemingway, mother of Beth Schoenfeld
George and Nancy Feth
Bob Clement, at St. John's Green Houses
Ron Olsen
Doris Kilburn
Olaf Herkstroeter

Anita Trabold
Wendy Wetzels, mother of Kim Campbell at Fairport Baptist Home
Dale Raymond at Monroe Community Hospital
Erich Helbig at Seneca Lake Terrace, Geneva

Gracious God, build us into a lasting community that follows Jesus. This month, we especially pray for these members and friends of Bethlehem and their families:

Week 1 (1/7) Colleen & Fred Sousa (Corinne & Evan), Connie & Tom Specht, Jackie Stivers, Bob & Phyllis Stock
Week 2 (1/14) Bob & Julie Stolze, Evan Strait (Maxwell, Reagan & Ryan), Peggy Strait, Anne & Richard Strasser (Luke & Olivia), CarolynAnn Straub
Week 3 (1/21) JoAnne Swanson, Ben Teasdale, Bill & Joanna Teasdale (Abby), Billy Teasdale, Toni Thompson
Week 4 (1/28) Julie & Ryan Thon (Brady & Cameron), Jeff & Laurie Tokarz, Celia & Doug Topping, Paul Towsley, Rich & Sue Towsley

Gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your love and mercy through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

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