

**Prayers of the People for February 23, 2020**

**Transfiguration Sunday**

*O Great Love, thank you for living and loving in us and through us. May all that we do flow from our deep connection with you and all beings. Help us become a community that vulnerably shares each other's burdens and the weight of glory. Listen to our hearts' longings for the healing of our world.* (Richard Rohr, [meditations@cac.org](mailto:meditations@cac.org) Feb. 2, 2020 – adapted )

Loving God, we ask that you look after your church throughout the world. As we enter the season of Lent, may we all be attentive to your light. We ask that the right successor to Bishop Logan will be chosen. We ask that both he and Moderator Richard Bott will be moved by the Spirit as they guide us. We ask that you touch the church of St. John the Baptist in Duncan and Brian Evans and Heather Cutten. We ask that you also touch Powell River United Church and Mary White. May all of them and all of us “get up and not be afraid.”

In our visioning process at Christ Church Gabriola, we ask that we may be moved by the Spirit and that we may hear your voice clearly as you speak through and among your people here. Loving God, we ask that you and we uphold Karen during this daunting season of Lent. In silence, we add our own prayers for the worldwide church and our church here. PAUSE

Loving God, we ask that you be a lamp shining in our dark and troubled world. We bring before you some of the troubled places we know of, mentioning them silently or aloud. PAUSE

In our local community, may we hear your voice and serve you without fear. PAUSE

God, we bring before you those whom we know who are ill, including Ted B., Nancy K., and Richard B. We pause to mention others, silently or aloud. PAUSE

Jesus come to them, touch them and speak to them. (Matthew 17:6-7)

God, we pray for all who have died and all who mourn.

*Knowing you are hearing us better than we are speaking, we offer these prayers in all the holy names of God, amen.* (Richard Rohr, [meditations@cac.org](mailto:meditations@cac.org) Feb. 2, 2020 – adapted )

Please join me in singing the Lord's Prayer on p. 959 in Voices United