

9TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 02 AUG 2020



St. Hilda's By the Sea Anglican Church
Open Doors · Open Hearts · Open Minds

President: The Rev Ayoob Adwar
Preacher: The Ven Bruce Morris

Musician: Linda Kern **Reader:** Heather Rankin
Prayers: Bev Niebergall

Opening Hymn*Dear God, Compassionate and Kind* CP 455

1. **Dear God, compassionate and kind, forgive our foolish ways.
Re-clothe us in our rightful mind, in purer lives thy service find,
in deeper reverence, praise, in deeper reverence, praise.**
2. **In simple trust like theirs who heard, beside the Syrian sea,
the gracious calling of the Lord, let us, like them, without a word,
rise up and follow thee, rise up and follow thee!**
3. **O Sabbath rest by Galilee! O calm of hills above,
where Jesus knelt to share with thee the silence of eternity
interpreted by love, interpreted by love!**
4. **Drop thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease;
take from our souls the strain and stress,
and let our ordered lives confess
the beauty of thy peace, the beauty of thy peace.**
5. **Breathe through the heats of our desire thy coolness and thy balm;
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,
O still, small voice of calm, O still, small voice of calm.**

Greeting

Presider The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

PEOPLE And also with you.

Presider In this time and these places,
we gather on the ancestral territory of the shishálh Nation.

**PEOPLE From many places and peoples
we come to this house of prayer.**

Presider In this time and these places, together, one people of God.

**PEOPLE In the name of God,
Source of all being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Glory to God

Presider Glory to God in the highest,
ALL and peace to God's people on earth.

**Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;**

**you are seated on the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

Presider God of compassion,

**ALL your heart goes out to the hungry and destitute;
you take what we have and transform it into much;
give us the bread that satisfies, the food without price,
so that our lives may show forth your overflowing love;
through Jesus Christ, the breaker of bread. Amen.**

✠ The Proclamation of the Word ✠

First Reading: Genesis 32:22-31 Heather Rankin

The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had.

Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him.

Then he said, 'Let me go, for the day is breaking.'

But Jacob said, 'I will not let you go, unless you bless me.'

So he said to him, 'What is your name?'

And he said, 'Jacob.'

Then the man said, 'You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed.'

Then Jacob asked him, 'Please tell me your name.'

But he said, 'Why is it that you ask my name?'

And there he blessed him.

So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, 'For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved.' The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 17:1-7, 15 *read all together*

1 **Hear my plea of innocence, O Lord;
give heed to my cry;
listen to my prayer,
which does not come from lying lips.**

2 **Let my vindication come forth from your presence;
let your eyes be fixed on justice.**

3 **Weigh my heart, summon me by night,
melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.**

4 **I give no offence with my mouth as others do;
I have heeded the words of your lips.**

5 **My footsteps hold fast to the ways of your law;
in your paths my feet shall not stumble.**

6 **I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me;
incline your ear to me and hear my words.**

7 **Show me your marvellous loving-kindness,
O Saviour of those who take refuge at your side
from those who rise up against them.**

15 **But at my vindication I shall see your face;
when I awake, I shall be satisfied, beholding your likeness.**

**Glory to God, Source of all being,
Eternal Word and Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

Second Reading: Romans 9:1-5..... Heather Rankin
I am speaking the truth in Christ— I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit— I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed for ever. Amen.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church. **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn.....*Father, We Thank Thee* CP 81

1. **Father, we thank thee who has planted
thy holy name within our hearts.
Knowledge and faith and life immortal
Jesus thy Son to us imparts.**

2. **Thou, Lord, didst make all for thy pleasure,
didst give us food for all our days,
giving in Christ the bread eternal;
thine is the power, be thine the praise.**
3. **Watch o'er thy church, O Lord, in mercy;
save it from evil; guard it still;
perfect it in thy love; unite it,
cleansed and conformed unto thy will.**
4. **As grain, once scattered on the hillsides,
was in this broken bread made one,
so from all lands thy church be gathered
into thy kingdom by thy Son.**

The Gospel Matthew 14:13-21

Presider May God be with you

PEOPLE **And also with you**

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

PEOPLE **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Now when Jesus heard [about the death of John the Baptist], he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns.

When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick.

When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, ‘This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.’

Jesus said to them, ‘They need not go away; you give them something to eat.’ They replied, ‘We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.’ And he said, ‘Bring them here to me.’

Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

After the reading

Presider The Gospel of Christ

PEOPLE **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon The Ven Bruce Morris

An Affirmation of Faith - A Pilgrim's Creed

Presider Let us affirm our faith

ALL We are a community of faith.

**We share a vision of God:
a God whose spirit is love,
accessible to all yet beyond our knowing,
the source of all being,
the way leading to wholeness,
the spirit which pervades everything.**

**We are reborn in the Spirit,
followers of that Way shown by Jesus:
to love God with our whole being;
to love our neighbours as ourselves;
to treat others as we would have them treat us;
to strive for justice and peace;
to have respect and compassion for every person
and for the whole of creation;
to forgive those who do us harm;
to love one another as Christ has loved us.**

**We journey together on this Way
towards reconciliation with the whole creation.**

We break bread together and pray together.

**We reach out to one another
for strength beyond our own.**

This is our community. This is our faith. Amen.

The Prayers of the People..... Bev Niebergall

Into this place, we gather today.

We gather seeking truth, listening beyond words for the rhythm of life.

We gather seeking solace, for losses that are too heavy to bear.

We gather seeking mercy,

for we find within our own hearts, the presence of shadow.

We gather to heal and shoulder burdens not our own.

We gather to forgive – freeing each other into hope and new life.

We gather to stand, shoulder to shoulder,

with those who must no longer stand alone.

We gather seeking justice

for there are too many walls shutting out the light.

*As those who share a common journey, **Let us live in hope and love.***

This week, we witnessed again agonizing stories of the results of COVID-19 and we wonder what the future holds. May we not become paralyzed

with fear but instead may we be filled with compassion for all who are suffering.

*As those who share a common journey, **Let us live in hope and love.***

We witnessed again the stories and videos of racist attacks and brutal results for protesters. It sometimes feels we are living in a time of chaos. We pray for situations in our world, nation and community that the leaders of our nations may act with integrity, led in truth and truthfulness. May we live in justice and peace together, showing care and compassion throughout the world.

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We are grateful and inspired by the lives of people such as John Lewis, a key figure in the civil rights movement who was laid to rest this week. He dedicated his life and advocated to others to help make our world a better place, where not one person will be left out or left behind.

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With the World Council of Churches Ecumenical Prayers cycle, we join voices all over the world in praying for the following countries and territories this week: Cameroon, Central African Republic, and Equatorial Guinea. We are thankful for people of all faiths who courageously have pursued reconciliation and peace among those in conflict and for the establishment of health clinics and schools in Cameroon and the Central African Republic. We pray for the leaders also during this time of terrorism that the nations may be led on paths of peace and safety. We also pray for peace and comfort to all those suffering as a result of these crises.

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We give thanks for opportunities to collaborate with partners in ministry, those in our Anglican Diocese and others. We are grateful for all those who give of their time and energy here at St. Hilda's, working to create a community of hope, healing and love in this world.

*As those who share a common journey, **Let us live in hope and love.***

We pray for those known and unknown in our community who struggle with illness, grief, worry or fear. We hold them in our hearts and pray that they and their loved ones may feel the support of love that surrounds them and know that they are not alone in this journey of life. May they find healing of the soul, comfort and peace. Let us remember them at this time.

**Bob Dall, Janet McConnell, Lisa Miller-Pond,
Ed & Stevie Paskar, Lorelei Reier, Kevin Rolston
Sher & Morrie Sacks, Donna Walsh Wheeldon**

We'll have a moment of silence also remembering others we name in hearts. *~time of silence~*

As those who share a common journey, **Let us live in hope and love.**

We heard in our Gospel reading for today the story of the loaves and fishes, and the generosity of sharing amongst the people so that there were 12 baskets left over. May we be reminded that the miracle of this story is about people who saw the value of the other and were willing to open their own baskets of food to share. We pray that we may also open our eyes to see the value of the other so that our world may also have not just 12, but billions of overflowing baskets remaining and all would be fed by food, clothing, hope, peace, and justice. As we fill ourselves with the gifts of peace and hope, may we fill our hearts to overflowing with an urgent need to do the work to which we are called. May we overflow in our zeal for a realm of justice, peace and equity for all, and may no one be ever left behind.

As those who share a common journey, **Let us live in hope and love.**
Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Presider Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;
God welcomes sinners and invites them to this table.
Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

~ Silence is kept. ~

Most merciful God,

**ALL we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Presider Almighty God have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Presider The peace of the Lord be with you all.

PEOPLE And also with you.

Prayer over the Gifts

Presider God our sustainer,

PEOPLE accept all we offer you this day,
and feed us continually with that bread
which satisfies all hunger,
your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

Family Thanksgiving & Announcements

Doxology

Presider Glory to God,

PEOPLE whose power, working in us,
can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to generation,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever.
Amen.

Blessing

Closing Hymn*Lord of All Hopefulness* CP 506

1. Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
whose trust, ever childlike, no cares could destroy,
be there at our waking and give us, we pray,
your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
2. Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,
be there at our labours and give us, we pray,
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

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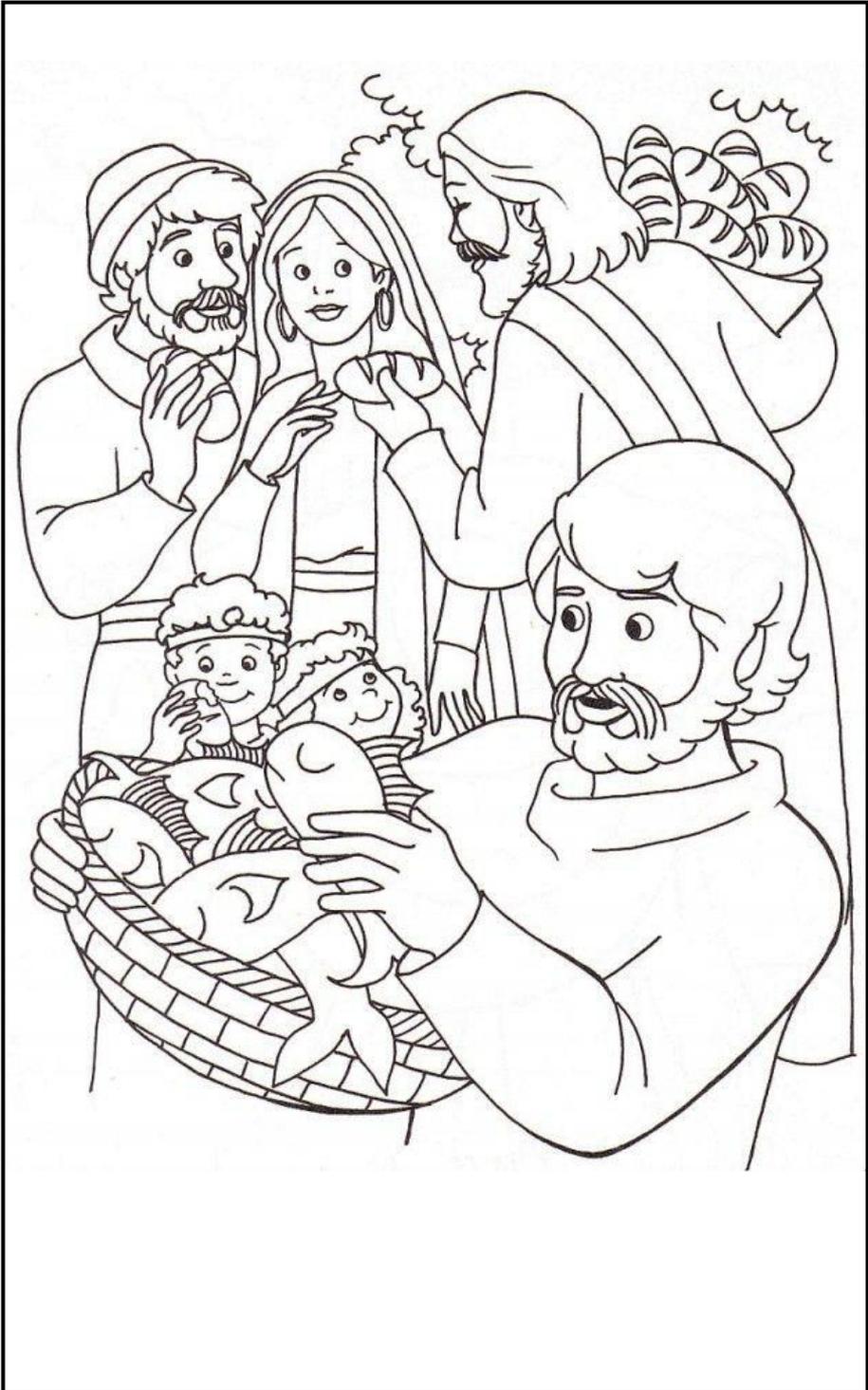
3. **Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,
your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace,
be there at our homing and give us, we pray,
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.**
4. **Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,
be there at our sleeping and give us, we pray,
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.**

Dismissal



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A Little Humor

A photographer on vacation was inside a church taking photographs when he noticed a golden telephone mounted on the wall with a sign that read ‘\$10,000 per call.’ The American, being intrigued, asked the priest what the telephone was used for. The priest replied that it was a direct line to heaven and that for \$10,000 you could talk to God. The American thanked the priest and went along his way.

Next stop was in Atlanta. There, at a very large cathedral, he saw the same golden telephone with the same sign under it. He wondered if this was the same kind of telephone he saw in Orlando and he asked a nearby nun what its purpose was. She told him that it was a direct line to heaven and that for \$10,000 he could talk to God. “Okay, thank you,” said the American.

He then traveled to Indianapolis, Washington DC, Philadelphia, Boston and New York. In every church he saw the same golden telephone with the same ‘\$10,000 per call’ sign under it.

The American decided to travel up to Canada to see if Canadians had the same phone. In the first church he entered, there was the same golden telephone, but this time the sign under it read ‘40 cents per call.’

The American was surprised so he asked the priest about the sign. “Father, I’ve traveled all over America and I’ve seen this same golden telephone in many churches. I’m told that it is a direct line to Heaven, but in the US the price was \$10,000 per call. Why is it so cheap here?”

The priest smiled and answered, “You’re in Canada now, son ... it’s a local call.”

-submitted by Bev Dall



"If your path ahead has reached a fork
Pause a while where we can talk
If there is no easy choice
Talk to me, I know your voice
I will listen to all your fears
And the way will become crystal clear."

A Celtic Blessing for decision-making, by Iain Tweedale

Parish Events and Notices

Office Administrator Away: Karen will be away from August 1-13. She will be back in the office on August 14. If you have announcements for the August 9 E-Bulletin, **please email Fr. Ayoob** (rector@sthilda.ca) by Wednesday August 5 as the e-bulletin will be sent out on Thursday August 6!

Vacation Dates: Fr Ayoob will be on holidays from August 11-25. Bruce will be on holidays from August 15-29. Wishing everyone safe and happy summer restoration.

No Worship Service: St. Hilda's Sunday services will be on "holiday" for August 23 (and possibly August 16). Details for other virtual worship destinations to be provided in next week's bulletin, as well as contact for urgent pastoral needs.

Reopening News: The Diocesan Re-opening Committee has approved our application to re-open as of August 23. Our first in-person worship, which will also be broadcast via Zoom, will be August 30 at 10:00 am. COVID-19 protocols of wearing masks, physical distancing and use of hand sanitizer will be in effect. More details about the service and on reserving your spot for August 30 to follow.

Wisdom Circle - New Day & Time: The Wisdom Circle now meets Fridays at 9:30 am on Zoom for a time of contemplative reflection. Typical format is 20 mins silent Centring Prayer, followed by Lectio Divina using Gospel of Thomas logion. New members welcome. Contact Paula Selmayr for Zoom link pspr@eastlnk.ca.

Communications and Inspirations: We encourage parish groups to provide regular updates, following the guidelines below. In addition, we welcome those who have creative contributions of encouragement, to share their inspirations, reflections, or photos, by submitting directly to Karen at admin@sthilda.ca, cc to Fr Ayoob.

Announcement Protocols: Please follow these guidelines for announcements.

1. Announcements need to be clear and concise and be fully prepared before sending to Karen, with a cc to priest. If applicable, please identify what group is submitting the announcement.
2. You may provide a website link for further info, but include enough info in announcement content to provide essential info for those without online access.
3. If you are wondering whether something is suitable as an Announcement or feel it needs approval, please send in advance to priest to consider, and then send to Karen as a final submission.

Offering Options

- 1) **PAD (pre-authorized giving):** Download PAD form, from website <http://www.sthilda.ca/pages/giving> or have Karen email you the form. Fill in and mail directly to the Diocesan office.
- 2) **By cheque:** place cheque in your numbered donation envelope, and either mail it to St Hilda's at Box 302, Sechelt, BC, V0N 3A0, **OR**, drop it through the mail slot outside the church office door. **NO CASH!**
- 3) **Online through Canada Helps:** go to Giving (<http://www.sthilda.ca/pages/giving>) and click on the "Donate Online" button. Follow the steps.
- 4) **E-Transfer:** Contact Mike Starr or Carol Eades for the security question and answer that is required. Please use 'message' area to include your envelope no. (if you have one) and how you wish your donation allocated, otherwise it will be directed to General Operating Fund.
- 5) **If none of the above** (or you need a cash option) contact Envelope Secretary (Maggie Scott) 604-885-3312, to arrange for your envelope to be picked up once a month.

St. Hilda's

Income & Expense Statement and Prior Year Comparison

	June 2020	June 2020	June 2019
OPERATING FUND	Year to Date	Year to Date Budget	YTD Prior Year
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 77,597	\$ 115,518	\$ 103,526
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 80,594	\$ 115,639	\$ 119,309
EXCESS INCOME\EXP	-\$ 2,997	-\$ 122	-\$ 15,783

Week At-a-Glance at St. Hilda's

Sun	02	10:00 am	Zoom Worship	Online
Wed	05	9:00 am	Morning Prayer & Coffee	Online
Thurs	06	10:00 am	Men's Gathering	Online
Fri	07	9:30 am	Wisdom Circle	Online
Sun	09	10:00 am	Zoom Worship	Online

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PARISH PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Anglican Communion	The new Province of Alexandria - created from the former Diocese of Egypt with North Africa and the Horn of Africa in the Episcopal Church of Jerusalem and the Middle East.
Diocese & Partners	St. Oswald, Port Kells – The Rev Gordon Shields St. Laurence, Coquitlam – The Rev Eric Mason <hr/> Holy Trinity Mission in Bantey (twinned with St. Hilda's) Companion Diocese: Bishop Brent Alawas, & the Clergy & People of the Episcopal Diocese of Northern Philippines BC Synod of the ELCIC, Bishop Gregory Mohr
Local Agencies	SC Community Foundation
Parish Ministries	Building & Grounds Committee
Justice Umbrella	Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples (ACIP) SC's siiyaya Reconciliation Movement
Prayer Requests	Bob Dall: healing from arm surgery Janet McConnell Lisa Miller-Pond Ed & Stevie Paskar Lorelei Reier: strength and healing Kevin Rolston Sher & Morrie Sacks: comfort & peace Donna Walsh Wheeldon: heart disease investigation
Ongoing Need	Jill Diespecker, Rik Diespecker, Geoffrey Dunbrack, Max Haugen, Phil Hopkins, Jeannette Shouls, Chris Sooley

Prayer requests are listed for 4 weeks - to extend, please contact the office.