Especially Remember.....

Pray for friends, family and neighbours who struggle to cope with life. Pray that they may know that they are loved and valued by God. Pray that those in hospital just now will know His peace.

Please pray for all those who are suffering from addictions of any kind. Pray that they may seek the help they need and find healing and release. Pray too that in their suffering, they might draw closer to God and know His love, His strength and His hope.

During these cold winter months, remember the homeless people of our city. Give thanks for the work of organisations such as Glasgow City Mission, the Lodging House Mission, and the Salvation Army who show such love and compassion in the services they provide. Give thanks especially for the Winter Night Shelter, giving homeless people a warm and safe place to sleep during the coldest weeks of the year. As the most basic of needs are met, pray too that these men and women may sense something of God's love and care for them.

Pray for asylum seekers who have come to Glasgow, often fleeing from dreadful and life threatening situations. Give thanks for the warm welcome many have received but also pray against the prejudice and unfriendliness that others have experienced. Give thanks for the help and support many receive through the Well and their different classes and activities.

Pray for the people who work in our community – teachers, doctors, shop owners, care workers. Give thanks that they care for and meet the needs of many who live in it.

Continue to pray for the people who seek help at the Foodbank and the Well. Pray that they may find sustainable, lasting solutions to the difficulties they are facing. Pray too that they will see the love of Christ working through the volunteers who assist them.

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This is the confidence we have in approaching God; that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us.

1 John 5:14

National and World Events

Please remember the factional fighting in places like Syria, Afghanistan and Iraq, with so many innocent civilians caught up in air strikes, terrorist bomb blasts and siege situations. Pray for the ceasefire negotiations in Syria to bear fruit and for all parties to stick to it.

Pray for the multitude of refugees in camps in countries such as Bangladesh, Kenya and Lebanon, for those in agencies who try to care for them, and for those in power who make decisions that affect them.

Please also pray for those in the Cape provinces of South Africa where 3 years of dry weather is forcing extreme measures as water may run out in a matter of weeks.

The political crises in South Africa, Venezuela and Israel continue. Please pray especially for the poorest people who are always the first to suffer from political and economic instability. Pray for their protection and for the aid agencies trying to meet their basic needs.

Please pray about the collapsing health care systems in Gaza, Syria and Jordan; and while giving thanks for our own national health service, pray it would continue to be a model of compassion and effectiveness, and continue to share personnel and expertise internationally.

Local Events

Pray that as we journey through Lent this might be a time of reflection and preparation for Easter. Pray that we might come to a deeper understanding of the sacrifice Jesus made on the cross for each one of us. Give thanks for the opportunity to share at the Lent studies as well as accessing resources available to us online.

Pray for all the preparation for school services and assemblies as well as what will be shared during Holy Week and Easter weekend. Pray that new folk might come along and hear the message of Easter for the first time.

Please pray for the Community team's Easter egg hunt around the shops and buildings in the community. Pray that the egg hunt will be fun and will provoke helpful discussions. Pray too that they may cause people to think more deeply about Easter and what it means.

Pray for all the preparation for Polar Explorers
Holiday Club taking place next month. Give thanks
for those who will lead and also for the trainee
leaders for whom this is a great opportunity to
develop their skills. Pray that a good number of
young people will come along to take part and will
experience something of the love God has for
them.

Pray for all the organisations that will meet in our church premises throughout the month. Give thanks for those who lead the different groups, give thanks for friendship and fellowship, and give thanks for the care and support received. Pray that everyone who crosses our doorsteps will be aware of God's presence and be touched by His love.

Pray that those attending the Alpha course will find it helpful to their faith journey. Pray that they will grow in understanding and faith as they listen and discuss and seek answers to their questions.

Next Prayer Breakfast—
Sat 31st March 8.30 – 10.00 am in the UF Church.
Lent studies replace the prayer meeting this month.

Church Family

Pray for all our ministers as they prepare week by week and also as they look ahead to the Easter services. Pray that God will inspire, strengthen and encourage them at this busy time.

Continue to pray for Alasdair, Kirsty and the family as they wait with great anticipation for the arrival of their baby as well as settling into a new home.

Give thanks for all who lead our worship and pray that God will use their gifts as they minister in this way.

Give thanks for all the ministry teams who work to build up the church family and to reach out to the community.

Pray that God will inspire the members of these teams and encourage them as they seek to understand the needs of people and be faithful as they serve.

Pray that individuals will recognise the gifts they have been given by God and find the best way to use them.

Please pray for God's guidance and direction as both churches continue to seek His vision. Give thanks for the teams who are leading us all in this process. Pray that we will know what to let go of and what to focus our time, energy and resources on.

Pray that we may all have the courage to go where God is leading, individually and as a church family.

Pray for all those who are experiencing difficult times in their lives. Pray that they might know God's peace as they seek His guidance

Continue to pray for all those who are ill, anxious about their health and undergoing treatments. Pray that they will know God's healing touch in their lives.

Remember the frail and elderly members of our churches and community who can feel isolated and lonely. Pray that they may sense God's love for them as part of His family.