

An Anglican-Lutheran Cycle of Prayer for Canada

Advent 1, 2022 to the Reign of Christ, 2023

Introduction

One of the characteristics of the Christian community throughout the ages has been our commitment to pray for the whole world, but especially for our Christian siblings in churches closely linked to our own. Anglicans and Lutherans in Canada are accustomed to praying for the Anglican Communion and the Lutheran World Federation. As churches in full communion, it is also appropriate for us to pray for our immediate Anglican and Lutheran neighbours.

The Joint Anglican-Lutheran Commission has designed this cycle for use in Canadian Anglican and Lutheran congregations, parishes, and communities, including for Sunday liturgies throughout the year. For most Sundays there are intentions for specific dioceses/synods/groups in both the Anglican Church of Canada (ACC) and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada (ELCIC). In some cases, because of differences in the numbers of local and regional jurisdictions between the two churches, the ELCIC intention for a given week may instead be substituted by a topical intention shared in common by the ELCIC/ACC. Some weeks also provide an additional common ACC/ELCIC intention for an event or concern associated with that week.

Prayer cycles can be overwhelming and “crowded” pieces of liturgies. Care needs to be exercised in setting a context: we are intentionally, as churches in full communion, holding each other in prayer. Some words of explanation may be needed to set this cycle of prayer in context.

In addition to using this cycle of prayer, congregations may wish to pray regularly by name for:

- the Primate and National Bishop
- the diocesan and synodical bishops in whose region the congregation is located and
- the dean of the Lutheran Area and for the Anglican archdeacon and/or regional dean in whose region the congregation is located
- the members and work of the Joint Anglican-Lutheran Commission

2021 marked the 20th Anniversary of the *Waterloo Declaration*. Liturgical resources for the local commemoration of the anniversary have been compiled in [Common Ground, Holy Ground, Common Good](#). In July 2023, both churches will come together in Assembly, delayed because of COVID restrictions. Members of both churches are invited to keep Assembly in your prayers this year. Information about life and projects in Full Communion can be found at: www.anglicanlutheran.ca.

(Note: At the time of writing, the information contained herein is as accurate as can be. Those responsible for offering prayers in worship and/or placing lists in weekly bulletins are advised to make themselves aware of possible changes)

Cycle of Prayer

- 27 Nov. 2022** **ACC** The people of the Anglican Church of Canada
 ELCIC The people of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada
- 4 Dec. 2022** **ACC** The Primate: Archbishop Linda Nicholls and the staff of the Primate’s Office of the Anglican Church of Canada
 ELCIC National Bishop: Bishop Susan Johnson and the national staff of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada
- 11 Dec. 2022** **ACC** The Venerable Alan Perry, General Secretary, and the staff of the General Secretary’s Office; Melanie Delva, Reconciliation Animator; Dawn Maracle, Animator, Indigenous Justice – Interim
 ELCIC Trina Gallop Blank, Assistant to the National Bishop, Communications and Resource Generation, and the staff of Communications; Kyle Giesbrecht, Director of Finance and Administration, and the staff of Finance and Administration
- 18 Dec. 2022** **ACC** The Rev. Dr. Eileen Scully, Director, and the staff of Faith, Worship, and Ministry; Sheilagh McGlynn, Youth Ministries Animator; the Rev. Canon Dr. Scott Sharman, Animator for Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations
 ELCIC Rev. Paul Gehrs, Assistant to the National Bishop, Justice and Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations; Deacon Gretchen Peterson, Assistant to the National Bishop, Youth and Leadership
- 25 Dec. 2022** **CHRISTMAS DAY**
 ACC Director Joe Vecsi and the staff of Communications and Information Resources; Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer Amal Attia and the staff of Financial Management and Administration
 ELCIC Carmen Ramirez, Assistant to the National Bishop, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion; Assistant to the National Bishop for Worship
- 1 Jan. 2023** **NEW YEAR’S DAY**
 ACC The National Indigenous Anglican Bishop, and the staff of Indigenous Ministries; the Anglican Council of Indigenous People
 ELCIC Bishop Michael Pryse, the people and rostered ministers of the Eastern Synod
- 8 Jan. 2023** **ACC** Dr. Andrea Mann, Director, and the staff of Global Relations; Ryan Weston, Lead Animator, Public Witness for Social and Ecological Justice
 ELCIC The Assistants to the Bishop and the staff of the Eastern Synod
- 15 Jan. 2023** **ACC** Executive Director, Will Postma, and staff of the Primate’s World Relief and Development Fund
 ELCIC Executive Director, Karin Achtelstetter, and staff of Canadian Lutheran World Relief
 ACC/ELCIC
 The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
- 22 Jan. 2023** **ACC** The Most Rev. David Edwards, Metropolitan, and the people and clergy of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada
 ELCIC The dean, council, and congregations of the Atlantic and Montreal Areas of the Eastern Synod

- 29 Jan. 2023** **ACC** The Provincial Synod of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada
ELCIC The dean, council, and congregations of the Ottawa, Ottawa Valley and Seaway Areas of the Eastern Synod
- 5 Feb. 2023** **ACC** The Rt. Rev. John Watton, Bishop, and the people and clergy of the Diocese of Central Newfoundland
ELCIC The dean, council, and congregations of the Two Rivers, Nith Valley and Niagara Areas of the Eastern Synod
- 12 Feb. 2023** **ACC** The Rt. Rev. Sam Rose, Bishop, and the people and clergy of the Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador
ELCIC The dean, council, and congregations of the Central Toronto Area and Greater Toronto Areas East and West of the Eastern Synod
- 19 Feb. 2023** **ACC** The Most Rev. David Edwards, Archbishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Fredericton
ELCIC The dean, council, and congregations of the Grand River and Thames Areas of the Eastern Synod
ACC/ELCIC
An end to human trafficking and slavery.
- 26 Feb. 2023** **ACC** The Rt. Rev. John Organ, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Western Newfoundland
ELCIC The dean, council, and congregations of the Georgian, Huronia and Bay Areas of the Eastern Synod
- 5 Mar. 2023** **ACC** The Rt. Rev. Sandra Fyfe, Bishop, and the people and clergy of the Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
ELCIC The dean, council, and congregations of the Northern Area of the Eastern Synod
- 12 Mar. 2023** **ACC** The Rt. Rev. Bruce Myers, Bishop, and the people and clergy of the Diocese of Quebec
ELCIC Bishop Jason Zinko, the people and rostered ministers of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod
- 19 Mar. 2023** **ACC** The Rt. Rev. Mary Irwin-Gibson, Bishop, and the people and clergy of the Diocese of Montreal
ELCIC The Assistant to the Bishop and the staff of the Manitoba – Northwestern Ontario Synod
ACC/ELCIC
The elimination of racial discrimination.
- 26 Mar. 2023** **ACC** The theological colleges and training programs within the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada: The Atlantic School of Theology, Montreal Diocesan Theological, College, and Queen’s College
ELCIC The congregations of the Northwestern Ontario area of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod
- 2 Apr. 2023** **ACC** The Most Rev. Anne Germond, Metropolitan, and the people and clergy of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario
ELCIC The congregations of the Eastern area of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod

- 9 Apr. 2023** **EASTER DAY**
ACC The Provincial Synod of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario
ELCIC The congregations of the Central Manitoba area of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod
- 16 Apr. 2023** **ACC** The Most Rev. Anne Germond, Archbishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Algoma
ELCIC The congregations of the Southern Manitoba area of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod
ACC/ELCIC
Climate justice and healthy relationships with the earth
- 23 Apr. 2023** **ACC** The Rt. Rev. Todd Townshend, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Huron
ELCIC The congregations of the Western Manitoba area of Manitoba of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod
- 30 April 2023** **ACC** The Most Rev. Anne Germond, Bishop and The Most Rev. Fred Hiltz, Assisting Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Missionary Area of Moosonee
ELCIC The congregations of the Winnipeg area of the Manitoba-Northwestern Ontario Synod
- 7 May 2023** **ACC** The Rt. Rev. Susan Bell, Bishop, The Most Rev. Colin Johnson, Assistant Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Niagara
ELCIC Bishop Sid Haugen, the people and rostered ministers of the Saskatchewan Synod
- 14 May 2023** **ACC** The Rt. Rev. Michael Oulton, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Ontario
ELCIC The Assistant to the Bishop and the staff of the Saskatchewan Synod
- 21 May 2023** **ACC** The Rt. Rev. Shane Parker, Bishop, and the people and clergy of the Diocese of Ottawa
ACC/ELCIC
Jerusalem Sunday: The Anglican Diocese of Jerusalem, The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land, and for peace in the Middle East.
- 28 May 2023** **PENTECOST**
ACC The Rt. Rev. Andrew Asbil, Bishop; The Rt. Rev. Kevin Robertson, Suffragan Bishop; The Rt. Rev. Riscylla Shaw, Suffragan Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Toronto
ELCIC The Lutheran Collegiate Bible Institute in Outlook Saskatchewan
- 4 June 2023** **TRINITY SUNDAY**
ACC The theological colleges and training programs within the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario: Canterbury College, Huron University College, Renison College, the Anglican Studies Program at Saint Paul University, Thorneloe University, Trinity College, Wycliffe College
ELCIC Luther College at the University of Regina and Luther College – High School.
- 11 June 2023** **ACC** The Most Rev. Gregory Kerr-Wilson, Metropolitan, and the clergy and people of the Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert’s Land
ELCIC/ACC
Lutheran and Anglican global partners and companions.

- 18 June 2023** **ACC** The Provincial Synod of the Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert’s Land
ELCIC/ACC
The National Indigenous Day of Prayer: for healing and reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Peoples.
- 25 June 2023** **ACC** The Rt. Rev. David Parsons, Bishop; The Rt. Rev. Joey Royal, The Rt. Rev. Annie Ittoshat, The Rt. Rev. Lucy Netser, Suffragan Bishops, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of the Arctic
ELCIC The congregations of the northern area of the Saskatchewan Synod
- 2 July 2023** **ACC** The Rt. Rev. David Greenwood, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Athabasca
ACC/ELCIC
Let there be greening – Assembly 2023: gathering of Anglicans and Lutherans and celebrating the 20th Anniversary of Full Communion.
- 9 July 2023** **ACC** The Rt. Rev. William Cliff, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Brandon
ELCIC Bishop Larry Kochendorfer, the people and rostered ministers of the Synod of Alberta and the Territories
- 16 July 2023** **ACC** The Most Rev. Greg Kerr-Wilson, Archbishop and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Calgary
ELCIC The assistant to the bishop and the staff of the Synod of Alberta and the Territories
- 23 July 2023** **ACC** The Rt. Rev. Stephen London, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Edmonton
ELCIC The dean, council, and congregations of the East Central Area of the Synod of Alberta and the Territories
- 30 July 2023** **ACC** The Rt. Rev’s Lydia Mamakwa, Larry Beardy, and Morris Fidler; Bishops, and the clergy and people of the Spiritual Ministry of Mishamikoweesh
ELCIC The dean, council, and congregations of the Southern Area of the Synod of Alberta and the Territories
- 6 Aug. 2023** **ACC** The Rt. Rev. Helen Kennedy, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Qu’Appelle
ELCIC The dean, council, and congregations of the Northern Area of the Synod of Alberta and the Territories
- 13 Aug. 2023** **ACC** The Rt. Rev. Geoff Woodcroft, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Rupert’s Land
ELCIC The dean, council, and congregations of the West Central Area of the Synod of Alberta and the Territories
ACC/ELCIC
CLAY 2023: Ashes & Embers – gathering of Canadian Lutheran and Anglican Youth.
- 20 Aug. 2023** **ACC** The Rt. Rev. Michael Hawkins, Bishop; The Rt. Rev Adam Halkett, Suffragan Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Saskatchewan
ELCIC The dean, council, and congregations of the South West Area of the Synod of Alberta and the Territories

- 27 Aug. 2023** **ACC** The Rt. Rev. Chris Harper, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Saskatoon
ELCIC Bishop Kathy Martin, the people and rostered ministers of the British Columbia Synod
ELCIC/ACC
The World Council of Churches Assembly.
- 3 Sept. 2023** **ACC** The theological colleges and training programs within the Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert's Land: Arthur Turner Training School, the Centre for Christian Studies, the College of Emmanuel and St. Chad, Henry Budd College for Ministry, Saint John's College, Dr. William Winter School for Ministry, James Settee College for Ministry
ELCIC/ACC
The Season of Creation and a renewed commitment to a healthy relationship with the Earth
- 10 Sept. 2023** **ACC** The Most Rev. Lynne McNaughton, Metropolitan, and the clergy and people of the Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and Yukon
ELCIC The Assistant to the Bishop and staff of the British Columbia Synod
- 17 Sept. 2023** **ACC** The Provincial Synod of the Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and Yukon
ELCIC The dean, council, and congregations of the Southern Interior Region of the British Columbia Synod
- 24 Sept. 2023** **ACC** The Bishop, clergy, and people of The Territory of the People
ACC/ELCIC
Every child matters. Remember the Indigenous children who did not return home from residential school. For survivors and their families. For truth, healing and reconciliation.
- 1 Oct. 2023** **ACC** The Rt. Rev. Anna Greenwood-Lee, Bishop, and clergy and people of the Diocese of British Columbia
ELCIC The dean, council, and congregations of the Lower Mainland Region of the British Columbia Synod
ELCIC/ACC
Remember Missing and murdered Indigenous women, girls and 2SLGBTQQIA people and their families and pray for an end to gender-based violence.
- 8 Oct. 2023** **ACC** The Rt. Rev. David Lehmann, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Caledonia
ELCIC The dean, council, and congregations of the North Region of the British Columbia Synod
ELCIC/ACC
People and ministries working to address issues of poverty, homelessness, and affordable housing.
- 15 Oct. 2023** **ACC** The Rt. Rev. Lynne McNaughton, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Kootenay
ELCIC The dean, council, and congregations of the Vancouver Island Region of the British Columbia Synod
- 22 Oct. 2023** **ACC** The Rt. Rev. John Stephens, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of New Westminster
ELCIC/ACC
An end to gender-based violence and human trafficking.

- 29 Oct. 2023** **ACC** The Rt. Rev. Leslie Wheeler-Dame, Bishop, and the clergy and people of the Diocese of Yukon
ELCIC The president, faculty, students, and staff of Lutheran Theological Seminary, Saskatoon
- 5 Nov. 2023** **ACC** The Principal, faculty, students, and staff of the Vancouver School of Theology
ELCIC The Principal-Dean, faculty, students, and staff of Martin Luther University College
ELCIC/ACC
Remember those who died in war and pray for renewed commitment to work for peace.
- 12 Nov. 2023** **ACC** The members of the Council of General Synod
ELCIC The members of the National Church Council
- 19 Nov. 2023** **ACC** The Secretary General and staff of the Anglican Communion Office
ELCIC The General Secretary and staff of the Lutheran World Federation
- 26 Nov 2023** **ACC/ELCIC**
The members of the Joint Anglican-Lutheran Commission