June 5, 2022 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We pray for all in our congregation who are grieving and in need of care, as well as those who provide care to the grieving and those in need, especially our Stephen Ministers.

Please lift up to God those who have asked for our prayers:

For the sick and in need: especially Mary Lee Allen, Rie Anderson, Susan Bain, Steve Barnett, Hylah Boyd, Stacy Burrs, Virginia Cooper, Cindy Daiger, John Downing, Tommy Edwards, Tom Evelyn, Diana Futrell, Nadine Green, Jamie Gugino, Ernest Haufe, Anne Heffner, Barbara Hunt, Matt Mattox, Bunky Miller, Sallie Modlin, Scott Osburn, Carol Piersol, Danny Rumble, Parker Skidmore, Bradford Smith, Jessie Sumrell, Emma Thurman, Anne Turnbull, Bobbie Ukrop, Betsy Wallace, Erin Wright, Ben and Eloise, Ace, David, and Georgia

For healthcare workers, first responders and all frontline workers

For those serving in our Armed Forces: especially David Bhatta, Robby Farmer, Sam Moffatt, Wilson Nance, William Smith, and Mitchell Teefey

For the newly born: especially Anna Claire Gochenour, daughter of Sara and Kyle Gochenour and sister of James Gochenour, who was born recently

For all celebrating their birthdays this week, especially those who celebrate their birthdays on Sunday: Sid Bland, Jane Farmer, Archer Gorbutt, Ellie Ratliff, and Margaret Smith

Almighty and most merciful God, we come to you with heavy hearts and troubled minds after another mass shooting. We lift up the victims of the mass shooting at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde Texas: Eva, Jose, Uziyah, Xavier, Annabell, Rojelio, Irma, Elihana, Jacklyn, Jailah, Jayce, Eliana, Naveah, Makenna, Tess, Alexandria, Miranda, Layla, Amerie, Alithia, and Maite. May the souls of all these innocent victims, through your mercy, find eternal safety and rest. We also ask for comfort and healing for their families, friends, the community of Uvalde, and all who mourn.

Today we hold in prayer the faithful people who stood as candidates in the election for Bishop of Virginia. We pray in thanksgiving for the Rev. Canon Mark Stevenson, the Rev. Joseph Hensley, the Rev. Canon Alan Jones, and the Very Rev. Gideon Pollach. We celebrate and give thanks for everyone who gathered for the election and pray in celebration for our Bishop-elect.

The flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of James C. DeJarnette, Jane H. DeJarnette, Jaquelin H. DeJarnette, James C. DeJarnette IV, and Shirley DeJarnette