

**The white rose this week commemorates the life of:** Jennifer Jarosik, friend of Betsy Erickson; David Deike, cousin of Cindy Blewett.

**Covenant members:** Julie Winding.

**Covenant friends & extended family:** Beverly P., friend of Peggy Bugg; Henry Veith, Rachel Aune Veith father-in-law; Tom & Jill Fontaine, son of Mary Fontaine; Rick Bartz and family; Peggy Corp, friend of Nancy McCulley; Jacquelyn Broberg, aunt of Brad Schmidt; Darren Webb, nephew of John and Linda Daly; Bill Webb, friend of Polly Guequierre; Gary Schuster, brother of Tom Schuster; Tim and Matthew Reiland and family, father-in-law and husband of Abbey Cohn, Deb Cohn's daughter.

**Covenant family & friends mourning the death of:** Wayne Glowac, friend of Gary Pivotto; Frankie Leisering, Covenant member; Daryl Schoenfeld, brother-in-law of Lonna Peterson; David Broberg, uncle of Brad Schmidt; George Campise, close friend and brother-in-law of Larry Dubisz; Montee Robinson, friend of the Whayland family.

**Your continuing prayers are appreciated for:** All people affected by the war in the Middle East; Lonna Peterson; Megan Whittow, niece of Jane & Peter Kolakowski; Alice Kirby, daughter-in-law of Peter & Jane Kolakowski; Ken Turner, father of Chris Turner; Marilyn Butz; James, father of James McGregor; Paula Swansonrasanen; Dennis Eft, brother of Lori Voss; Robert N. Mayer, friend of Marcy Carlson & Tim Smeeding; Noel Pearson; Joann Pivotto; Lee Narans; Cindy Blewett; Stephen Resan; Jack & Joannie Carter; Jan & Tom Schuster; Sandi Thompson-Royer, Covenant friend; Troy Griswold, nephew of Lori Voss; Mark Middleton; Sally Nesser; Bill & Susan Wood; John Wedberg; Nancy McCulley; Larry & Barb Larsen; Evelyn McMillan; Virgil Landry; Joseph Hack; Eve Casta; Dick & Jan Schaefer, family of Bob & Nan Schaefer; Tim Wade, father of Janna Doney; Jorge Asencion, Covenant friend; Gary Van Ess & John Van Ess, brothers of Vicki Alexander.

**World Mission:** People of Guatemala and congregations of Monte Hebron Presbyterian Church in Santo Domingo and Monte Horeb Presbyterian Church in Coyolate, Jed and Jenny Koball PC(USA) in Peru; Medical Benevolence Foundation in Haiti; Eric Miller in Kenya.

**Our elected local leaders:** Gov. Evers and Mayor Rhodes-Conway.

Pray for our country, and if you feel inspired, contact your elected officials:

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| Senator Tammy Baldwin<br>30 West Mifflin Street, Suite 700<br>Madison, WI 53703<br>(608) 264-5338   | Senator Ron Johnson<br>5315 Wall Street, Suite 110<br>Madison, WI 53718<br>(608) 240-9629 |
| President Donald Trump<br>1600 Pennsylvania Ave Avenue NW<br>Washington, DC 20500<br>(202) 456-1111 | Rep. Mark Pocan<br>10 E Doty St #405<br>Madison, WI 53703<br>(608) 258-9800               |

### Birthdays

**Kathy Schlimgen (9/13); Eddie Jung (9/14); Jess Salmonowicz, Fred Ross, Dominick Reuter (9/15); Walt Stevenson (9/16); Marion Peterson (9/17); Michael Hunt (9/18).**

*Names will stay on the prayer list for five weeks. If you would like to remain on the list longer, please contact the church office at 608-233-6297 or [info@covenantmadison.org](mailto:info@covenantmadison.org), Pastor Charlie Berthoud, Pastor Megan Berry, Pastor Jess Scholten, or Melissa Hinz.*

## **Blessing of The Land (at Planting or Harvest)**

### **Common Prayer**

God of the Universe,  
You made the heavens and the earth,  
So we do not call our home merely “planet earth.”  
We call it your Creation, a Divine Mystery,  
a Gift from Your Most Blessed Hand.  
The world itself is your miracle.  
Bread and vegetables from earth are thus also from heaven.  
Help us to see in our daily bread your presence.

Upon this garden  
May your stars rain down their blessed dust.  
May you send rain and sunshine upon our garden and us.  
Grant us the humility to touch the humus,  
That we might become more human.  
That we might mend our rift from your Creation,  
That we might then know the sacredness of the gift of life—  
That we might truly experience life from the hand of God.  
For you planted humanity in a garden,  
and began our resurrection in a garden.  
Our blessed memory and hope lie in a garden.

Thanks be to God,  
Who made the world teeming with variety,  
Of things on the earth, above, the earth, and under the earth.  
Thanks be to God,  
For the many kinds of plants, trees, and fruits,  
We celebrate.  
For the centipedes, ants, and worms,  
For the mice, marmots, and bats,  
For the cucumbers, tomatoes, and peppers  
We rejoice,  
That we find ourselves eclipsed by the magnitude  
Of generosity and mystery.  
Thanks be to God.