**Prayer Celebrations and Concerns** **November 8-14, 2026**

**This week's white rose commemorates the life of: Mike Lee, brother-in-law of Chris Turner.**

**New this week: Kathy Wendorff, Covenant member; Ben, son of Rick Bartz.**

**Covenant members:** Art Kanitz; Mae Kechele; Peter Gunder; Winnie Boyar; Steve Resan; Judy Von Bergen; Mike Jordan.

**Covenant friends & extended family**: Marlin Wavra, brother of Nancy McCulley; Nancy Snapp, friend of Rev. Jess Scholten; Dianne Nachtigal, cousin of Rhonda Rohn; Ellen Turner and Mike Lee, sister and brother-in-law of Chris Turner; Kim and Gary, friends of Fern & Art Kanitz; Jerry Wolscheid, friend of Matt and Lynn Vande Sande; Marcella Heller Sterling, daughter of Brad and Holly (Houston) Sterling.

**Covenant family & friends mourning the death of:** Ken Turner, father of Chris Turner; Lilian Sosinski, sister-in-law of Ken Sosinski; Gerald Otte, brother-in-law of Henry Kranendonk; Gary Enderle, father of Gordon Enderle; Henry Veith, Rachel Aune Veith's father-in-law; Tess Postle, friend of the Hinz family.

**Your continuing prayers are appreciated for:** All people affected by the war in the Middle East; Rick Bartz and family; Daniele Brooks, friend of Bob & Nan Schaefer; Jane Middents, cousin of Nan Schaefer; David Ewing, friend of Bob & Nan Schaefer; Tom & Jill Fontaine, son of Mary Fontaine; Darren Webb, nephew of John and Linda Daly; Lonna & Fred Peterson; Megan Whittow, niece of Jane & Peter Kolakowski; Alice Kirby, daughter- in- law of Peter & Jane Kolakowski; 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; Tom & 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**

**Peter Gunder, Patricia Svendsen (11/08); Ann Neviaser, Doug Rasmussen (11/09); Laura Courtney, Sophia Blomme, Russ Middleton, Ernie Perry, Reid Exley (11/10); David Sommers, Patsy Lamm, Sam Qastin (11/11); Margie Coons (11/14).**

*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, Pastor Charlie Berthoud, Pastor Megan Berry, Pastor Jess Scholten, or Melissa Hinz.*

# A Prayer for Election Heroes

by John Knox Presbytery member, the Rev. Jo Wiersema

With the elections this past week, the polls were very busy – let's give thanks for all who served, including many members of this congregation who volunteered in a number of ways – thank you!

O God of all creation,
we thank you for all people made in your image.

We thank you for the strength, tenacity, and thoughtfulness of the people who ensure voting is accessible to all.

We thank you for poll workers, election office staff, polling place chaplains, municipal and county election clerks, boards of canvassers, and state election officials.

We ask in your everlasting comfort that you care for these people. Keep these good and kind servants safe in their work. Wrap them in your great arms, O God, care for them in their steadfast dedication to justice, and support them in their passion for equity.

God, help us to care for those who care for us in our voting rights, and bless these election day workers, not just when we see them at the polls, but in their daily work to ensure they are loved, cared for, and safe in their communities.

We are grateful for all who served this past week and for all who diligently commit their time and energy one behalf of democracy. May we use our freedoms to help usher in freedom for all. In the name of Jesus, amen.