



## Praying at Priestfield for peace

'The Lord is my light and my salvation - whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life - of whom shall I be afraid.'

Psalm 27:1

### Ukraine-let us pray...

- for peace and freedom in Ukraine; for resilience and strength for the people of Ukraine; as time goes on that there are enough safe places, food, clothes and other necessities as well as homes, schools, facilities and more.
- for a change in the hearts of the Russian leaders; for the people of Russia to realise what is being done in their name and somehow to be able to change this path.
- for our own response; our country and as individuals; for material, financial and moral support; our support for the countries nearby.

### Let's pray for this world...

- there are big problems in other places; Sudan, Syria, Somalia, Myanmar, DR Congo, South Sudan, Nigeria, Yemen, Ethiopia, Afghanistan, the ten countries expected to deteriorate the most not including Ukraine. Pray for systemic changes in these countries so that permanent security and improved wellbeing will occur.
- Tuesday was World Women's Day, in many places women are disproportionately affected by crises, sidelined and ill-treated, pray for a world wide change to how women are treated.
- in our country pray for the law to move faster to support women when they are violated and harassed.

### Prayer for Priestfield and our community...

- we continue to pray for revival and renewal in us, our churches, this area of Newington and Edinburgh. May the Holy Spirit lead us into new ways.
- as the Kirk Session meets next Wednesday (16th March), pray for wisdom, and the guidance of the Holy Spirit.
- and at our Annual Meeting on Sunday 20th March, help us as a church fellowship to continue in the way forward to share the gospel and support the community.
- as 'Praise and Prayer' continues, help us to look for new ways to nurture the faith of others and ourselves.
- with the Mission Group meeting (14th March) pray for guidance as we consider what we do now as we move on from so many restrictions, again give the Spirit's guidance.
- continue to pray for the churches in Newington as we look at the way forward together, and also for the whole of the Edinburgh and West Lothian Presbytery as we are all challenged to find a new way to fit ourselves for Mission today.

### Despite all the difficulties we can see, we can and must give thanks...

- think now of five things to be thankful for.

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