



**Ottawa, ON  
July 3-7, 2013**

***Praying Together for a New Future.***

***Prayer for Joint Assembly***

***Loving God, we gather in the name of Jesus for an historic Canadian joint Anglican/Lutheran assembly in Ottawa. We ask your continued blessing on Fred, Anglican Primate, and Sue, Lutheran National Bishop, and on all who work together to make this assembly a spirit filled gathering. Give us the gift of your Spirit, to inspire and lead us, so that we may worship and praise you together for a new future. We ask in the name of Jesus, our chief Shepherd. AMEN***



***Anglican Church of Canada***



***Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada***

***Prayer For Delegates, Staff and Leaders***

O Holy One, guide all our delegates, that those called to serve in these responsibilities may be men and women living a holy life, seeking to be in your will, able to overcome prejudices, examining issues with care, and that the decisions made may be to the building up of your church and to your glory. May we be truly unified as one under Christ. AMEN

***A Prayer for Joint Assembly***

Holy God, hear us as we hold up before you this Joint Gathering of the Anglican and Evangelical Lutheran Churches of Canada. Be with us in our yearning to chart a new course together, inspired by the presence of your Spirit. Give courage to our Bishops, all of our leaders, and each of us, as we move forward with your blessing. For all we do, we do to your glory, in Jesus' name. AMEN

***Prayer For A Church Alive To God***

Lord, make the Anglican Church of Canada and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada communities that behold your marvelous works. AMEN

### *Prayer For Our Leaders*

Heavenly Father, give to our leaders, a daily renewal in your presence, uphold them with your peace, a peace that passes all understanding, enlighten them with your word, and strengthen them with your grace. AMEN

### *Prayer For A Church in God's Will*

Lord, remind us when we forget that you talked of our being in the world not of the world. Remind us when we conform to this world that you want us to be transformed by the renewing of our minds so that we will be the witnesses you asked us to be.  
AMEN

### *Prayer For a Church on a Mission*

Gracious God, we pray that this Assembly will provide encouragement and leadership to your Church to carry out its mission:

- † To **proclaim** the Good News of the Kingdom;
- † To **teach**, baptize and nurture new believers;
- † To **respond** to human need by loving service;
- † To **seek** to transform the unjust structures of society; and
- † To **strive** to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth.

### *Prayer For A Renewed Church*

Almighty God give us a new vision of you, of your love, of your grace and power; and then, give us a new vision of what you would have us do as your church in this nation at this time, and an awareness that in the strength of your Spirit we can do it to your glory. In Jesus' Name we pray. AMEN.

### *Prayer For the Mission of the Church*

God of all, Draw your church together into one great company of disciples, together following our Lord Jesus Christ into every walk of life, together serving Him in His mission to the world, and together witnessing to His love on every continent and island, particularly in our country of Canada. AMEN  
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### *Prayer For a Spirit Inspired Church*

Almighty and everlasting Father, bless the bishops, clergy and laity gathered in your Name, that your Church may be encouraged and inspired by your Spirit to change the world in the name of Jesus Christ our Saviour; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. AMEN.