This week's white roses commemorate the lives of Laverne Joosse, Covenant member; Carla Jaeger, cousin of John Guequierre.

New this week: Ron Crabb, Covenant member.

Covenant members:

Covenant friends & extended family: Don Zelle, friend of Kris & Tom Bauer; Dennis & Anne, brother and sister-in-law of Covenant friend Paula Rasanen; Jim Reimers, friend of Art Kanitz; The family of Ian & Cheryl Durand, family of Gordon & Eileen Durand; Sharon Baldwin, friend of Gretchen Girard; Anna Hocum, granddaughter of Peggy Balisteri.

Covenant family & friends mourning the death of: Laverne Joosse, Covenant member; Dale Myrland, Covenant member; Margaret Konkol, sister-in-law of Covenant friends Ron & Debbie Konkol; David C Fox, former member & son of Laurie Fox; Melissa Neisler, cousin of Page Moreau; Magaly, biological mother of Sara Joy Lovell.

Your continuing prayers are appreciated for: Tom Schuster, Evelyn McMillan; Sandi Thompson-Royer, Covenant friend; Troy Griswold, nephew of Lori Voss; Sarah Day; Mark Middleton; Sally Nesser; Bill Wood; Brenda Moten; Pat Thielbar; John Wedberg; Barb Larsen; Cindy Blewett; Nancy McCulley; Larry Larsen; Patty West; Bill Lawrence; Russ McMillan; Don Peterson; Virgil Landry; Margaret Hickman; Joseph Hack; The people of Ukraine; Gina Fritz; Eve Casta; Jan Schaefer, sister-in-law of Bob and Nan Schaefer; Jodi Steidl; Tim Wade, father of Janna Doney; Charlene Duranceau, sister of Jan Schuster; Betty Matthews; Jane Stark; Bonnie Cameron, cousin of Jan Minardi; Robert Hill, father of Melissa Hardy; Jorge Asencion, Covenant friend; Gary Van Ess and John Van Ess, brothers of Vicki Alexander.

World Mission: Betsey and Eric Moe PC(USA); Bernie and Farsijana Adeney-Risakotta PC(USA) in Indonesia; Jed and Jenny Koball PC(USA) in Peru; Shelvis and Nancy Smith-Mather PC(USA) in South Sudan; Medical Benevolence Foundation in Haiti; Eric Miller in Kenya.

Our elected leaders: President Biden, Rep. Pocan, Sen. Johnson, Sen. Baldwin, Gov. Evers, and Mayor Rhodes-Conway.

Birthdays

Peter Hughes, Jon Lenius, Ginger McIntosh, Mary Kinsley (10/27); Pete Kechele, Cheryl Krebs, Linda Taylor (10/28); Katie Rasmussen (10/29); Frances Parker, Don Peterson, Patricia Thielbar, Mary Tibbitts (10/30); Riess Perry (10/31); Garrett Leonard (11/1).

Names will ordinarily 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, Pastor Charlie Berthoud, Pastor Megan Berry, Pastor Jess Scholten, or Melissa Hinz, Minister of Music and Pastoral Care. You may also email us at info@covenantmadison.org. Next Sunday, we will recognize All Saints' Sunday in worship. Because All Saints' Day (November 1) falls midweek, here is a prayer of Thanksgiving for the saints (for Protestants, Christians) in our lives.

Prayer of Thanksgiving: All Saints

from re: Worship, written by the Rev. Richard J. Fairchild

God of the ages: We praise you for all your servants who have done justice, loved mercy and walked humbly with you. We praise you O God for all apostles and martyrs and saints of every time and place, who in life and death have witnessed to your truth and love.

We praise you, O God for all those who answered your call to preach the Good News of the Gospel and to administer your Sacraments of grace and love, and for those who devoted their lives to teaching your Word and sharing the inspiration of the Holy Scriptures with others.

We praise you, O God for those who showed compassion to the least, feeding the hungry and clothing the naked, welcoming the stranger and offering mercy and forgiveness to those who have gone astray.

We praise you, O God, for those who were willing to lose their lives in service to others, caring for the sick, comforting the dying, visiting the lonely, consoling those in grief.

We praise you, O God, and we especially honor the memory of those individuals in our lives who have lived among us and shared their faith in personal ways, who have finished the race and now reign on high with you. We honor the memory of those who have graced our lives at other times and in other ways. In particular, we lift up before you with gratitude and thanksgiving....

For all the saints from whom their labors rest, we praise you, O God. We praise you and we thank you in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.