

Music as people gather: Ballade Pour Adeline
Loom of Love, PeaceHealth.

Welcome:

Opening Prayer: R) Amen

Reading/Reflection: *Paraphrase/reflection on Psalm 91*
by Chaplain Linda DeHahn

Write Petitions:

Gather Petitions: Healer of Our Every Ill
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*Please bring your written prayers forward and place
them in the basket or bowl on the table.*

Prayer for the Sick: (Prayed together)

Prayer for the Caregiver: (Prayed together)

Closing: R): Amen

Music as people leave: Sophia Rose
Loom of Love, PeaceHealth

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Prayer for the Sick:

God of hope and healing,

Be with those whose bodies
burn with fever,
rage with pain,
struggle for breath,
cry out for limbs that used to be,
or crave addictive substances.

Be with those whose minds and emotions
face the wait of a diagnosis,
wrestle with the choices for treatment,
adapt to a life altered by chronic illness,
recover from abuse,
or push against the encroaching clouds of dementia.

Be with those whose spirits
are exhausted by the quest for health
doubt the existence of love
question the fairness of life
or stare into the face death

Cool the fever,
bring balm to the pain,
ease the fight for air,
adapt the body for new ways to move,
and calm the cravings.
Ease anxiety and fear.
Build trust in your everlasting love and care.
God of all, hear our prayer.
Amen.

Prayer for the Caregiver:

God of comfort and strength,

Be with those
whose backs ache with the weight of lifting,
whose hands are raw from the constant washing,
whose eyes close frequently from lack of sleep,
and whose bodies feel broken and weary.

Be with those
whose anxiety cannot face one more “what if”
whose thoughts do not dare go beyond the next moment
whose tears have flowed until there are no more
whose patience has worn too thin
and whose mind and emotions have become fragile.

Be with those whose spirits
are exhausted by the demands of caring for the sick
doubt the existence of love
question the fairness of life
or stare into the reality of losing a loved one to death.

Sooth the body and ease the pain.
Calm the anxiety and fear.
Build trust in your everlasting presence and love.
God of all, hear our prayer.
Amen.

World Day

Of the

Sick

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