

Prayers for this week

Can we pray for Christian Aid as we come to the end of Christian Aid week. Usually it is at this time that most money is collected and attention is drawn to the work of Christian Aid. Pray for them and the resources that they so need.

Our hope is in the Lord, but let us also thank God for those who are working so hard for us to try and find a way through in this time of crisis. This is from all medical staff, for scientist and researchers For those who are keeping things moving and going whilst many of us have to stay at home. We pray for all in Government and the judgements that have to be made for the good of all
We need each other in need and in plenty.

Pray for those who have found this time particularly difficult.
Those with mental illness and those who care for them.
Those with personality problems and learning difficulties.
For the number of people who have taken their own lives this week.
We pray for their families and those who love them.

Those who have recently died in our community.

Stay with us, loving Jesus
Stay with us as you did on Good Friday
and do not leave us as we turn outward and look upon the world
and ourselves in this seemingly lost battle.
We pray still for the hard mysteries of injustice to the innocent.
For those crying and their voices are seemingly never heard.\
Stay with us in that tough place, Jesus Christ
with a warm heart and a risen life.

Silence

And then, as our doubting mind falter,
in the face of all within us that would deny Godly life,
go before us towards every place which lies ahead,
O Christ,
and forgive us for our lack of faith,
as we stand in hope and longing.

Assurance

The life of God will not be denied.
It travels before us and between us in brave clarity.
We are offered full forgiveness in this moment,
at this time.
Receive the grace of God.

*Prayer taken and adapted from Liturgies for High Days.
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