

Prayers for Beloved Community

New Zealand BCP

Saviour, hanging on the cross declaring God's love to us, you are forgiveness.

Beside you hangs a thief, beneath you waits Mary the forgiven, and all around watch those many people to whom you give new life and hope.

To us you give new life and hope.

Forgiven sinners become your body and your Church; may the reconciliation we share bring your gospel to all the world.

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Jesus, you knew rejection and disappointment;

help us if our work seems distasteful;

help us to decide what best to do,

what to do next,

or what to do at all.

Give us courage and cheerfulness to go the second mile,

and all the miles ahead.

Book of Common Prayer

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. Amen.

Prayers for Peace

Episcopal Relief and Development

Eternal God, in whose perfect kingdom no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness, no strength known but the strength of love: So mightily spread abroad your Spirit, that all peoples may be gathered under the banner of the Prince of Peace, as children of one Father; to whom be dominion and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Jane Goodall

I pray that we may learn the peace that comes with forgiving and the strength we gain in loving; that we may learn to take nothing for granted in this life; that we may learn to see and understand with our hearts; that we may learn to join in our being.