

National Hospital & National Skilled Nursing Care Weeks

As we commemorate National Hospital & National Skilled Nursing Care Weeks, let us pause to reflect on the healing care of all those who serve patients, residents, and their loved ones within our facilities.

O Holy One,

In every moment of life, You are with us:

In health or in sickness,

In knowing or in waiting,

In poverty or brokenness,

Alone or together,

Body, mind or spirit --

There is nowhere we go where You are not also.

Bestow Your blessings upon Your children:

Those who need healing,

A special touch, a tender word, a miracle,

Provision, strength, permission, forgiveness,

Joy, hope or grace --

May the light of Your presence cast out all shadows and usher Your dear ones into life.

Make sacred these spaces of wholeness:

Vestibules and corridors,

Hallways and staircases,

Waiting rooms, exam rooms, consultation rooms,

Chapels and offices and cafeterias -

Bring healing within these walls; bring peace and presence and answers to prayer.

We ask this in Your name.

Amen.