

Litany for Mental Illness

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Healing God, your Son Jesus said “I am the light of the world, the light no darkness can overcome.” Today we hold in our loving care those who struggle with mental illnesses and brain disorders. Give them hope and the knowledge that they are not alone. Be their light, Gracious God:

Hear our prayer.

Life-Giving God, we pray today for the families, friends and caregivers of those suffer with mental illnesses and brain disorders. Give them strength in the journey and comfort in your words: “Well done, good and faithful servant.” Gracious God,

Hear our prayer.

Creator God, we thank you for the many advances that have been made in the treatment of mental health and brain disorders. We pray for doctors, scientists, psychologists, therapists and all whose work bring healing and hope. Gracious God,

Hear our prayer.

Gathering God, we pray for this congregation, that we may treat every person with dignity and kindness; especially those with illnesses of the mind as well as the body. Gracious God,

Hear our prayer.

ALL: We pray for courage to challenge old notions about those suffering with mental health and brain disorders. We ask you to help us reach out to individuals and families who suffer due to these illnesses. Free us from fear, and lead us all in a future of hope.

Amen.