## A prayer for uncertain times

'God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.'

Psalm 46:1, NRSV

As so much is re-shaped by Coronavirus Covid 19, let us pray for and with...

- People left unwell, beckoned by death or bereaved.
- People providing professional health care and advice, looking after loved ones at home or working to create treatments and cures.
- People shaping the response of nations and neighbourhoods, of commerce and industry, of service and voluntary organisations and of communities of faith.
- People who are anxious or afraid, alone or isolated.

Living, loving God,
we praise you,
and through times of peril
we lean into you,
for in Jesus Christ
you have trodden paths
as difficult as ours,
revealing there a love
that nothing defeats,
a love that bears us through.

Even as we strive to behave responsibly, and to care reliably, we reach out to you, that in these uncertain times we might trust you are with us, our refuge and strength, and our faith, hope and love might be renewed, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

## Prayers for all those affected by the Coronavirus

Keep us, good Lord,
under the shadow of your mercy.
Sustain and support the anxious,
be with those who care for the sick,
and lift up all who are brought low;
that we may find comfort
knowing that nothing can separate us
from your love
in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Amen.

From the Church of England

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God of all hope we call on you today.

We pray for those who are living in fear:
Fear of illness, fear for loved ones,
fear of other's reactions to them.

May your Spirit give us a sense
of calmness and peace.

We pray for your church in this time of uncertainty.
For those people who are worried about attending worship.
For those needing to make decisions in order to care for other.
For those who will feel more isolated by not being able to attend.

Grant us your wisdom.

Holy God, we remember that you have promised that nothing will separate us from your love — demonstrated to us in Jesus Christ.

Help us turn our eyes, hearts and minds to you.

Amen.

From the Methodist Church