Schedule of Religious Services

Patients, families and employees are welcome to use the hospital chapel (located on the first floor) for prayer at any time.

Catholic Services

A schedule of Catholic services is posted outside the chapel.

Non-Denominational Worship

Services are conducted periodically. These usually are held near holidays and are well publicized throughout the hospital. If you wish to attend, please let your nurse know.

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Pastoral Care

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We are committed to offering spiritual care to you.

Availability

It is the commitment of the Pastoral Care staff to be available to each patient and his/her support network. Feel free to contact us if you have need of a chaplain. Within the medical center, ask your nurse, or dial “0” to have the switchboard notify us. Outside of the medical center, please call 417-781-2727 and ask the operator to page a chaplain.

Chaplains are available to assist you Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. After hours, on weekends and holidays, our on-call chaplains will assist with emergency, trauma and urgent needs.

Spiritual Support:

Whatever issues you face – physical, spiritual, emotional – we are here for you. These struggles are not always easy. We will respond to your spiritual needs and encourage you in any way we can.
The Lord is Near to You

Protect me, Lord God!
    I run to you for safety,
and I have said,
    "Only you are my Lord!
Every good thing I have
    is a gift from you."
You, Lord, are all I want!
You are my choice,
    and you keep me safe.
You make my life pleasant,
    and my future is bright.

I praise you, Lord,
    for being my guide.
Even in the darkest night,
    your teachings fill my mind.
I will always look to you,
    as you stand beside me
    and protect me from fear.
With all my heart,
    I will celebrate,
    and I can safely rest.

You have shown me
    the path to life,
And you make me glad
    by being near to me.

Psalm 16: 1, 2, 5-9, 11a

The Patient’s Prayer

Father, in quietness and confidence,
I entrust my life to Your keeping.
Speak peace to my heart that I may be calm. Give me strength, so that having peace within, I may meet outward circumstance well. Help me to be receptive to all that may be done for me, but, above all, make me receptive to the comforting presence of Your Holy Spirit.
Amen

Prayer Before Surgery

O Loving Father, I commit myself with perfect trust into Thy loving hands. Watch over me and protect me in my hour of weakness. Grant that as I become unconscious to earthly things, my thoughts may be turned to Thee. May my surgeon’s mind and hands become the channels through which Thy healing power may enter in to restore me to health and strength. Bless those who assist the surgeon and who care for me as I return to consciousness. Calm my relatives and friends as they wait for my recovery. Grant me strength sufficient for whatever I may face.
Amen
Prayer for Courage

Almighty and merciful God, to whom the light and the darkness are both alike, and without whom nothing befalls Thy children; strengthen me to meet all the experiences of this illness with a steadfast and undaunted heart; help me to go on bravely, whether it be difficult or easy, and when the mists hide Thy face, to continue patiently till they are dispersed by the sun of Thy unchanging love.

Amen

Prayer for Peace

Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace;
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
Where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may seek not so much
To be consoled as to console;
To be understood as to understand;
To be loved as to love;
For it is in giving that we receive;
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Francis of Assisi

Reflecting the Core Values of Catholic Health Initiatives

REVERENCE

"You must love the Lord your God with your whole heart, with your whole soul, with your whole ability, and with your whole mind, and your neighbor as yourself."
Luke 1:17

INTEGRITY

"Whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him."
Colossians 3:17

COMPASSION

"Rejoice with those who rejoice and weep with those who weep."
Romans 12:15

EXCELLENCE

"Walk in a way that is worthy of the Lord, pleasing Him in everything, bearing fruit of every good work and growing in the full knowledge of God."
Colossians 1:10