

Community Invocation

Eternal Spirit, we bless you and thank you for the gift of this new day. We ask you to come into our midst and be with us in our gathering. We remember before you, all who are living with AIDS, HIV and other illnesses.

We ask that you give your people courage to live and hope for each day to come. Help us to face and overcome our fears and comfort us when we are discouraged and in times when we may feel judged, rejected or abandoned.

**Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker,
Pain-bearer, Life-giver, Source and
Creator of all that is and that shall be,
Mother and Father of us all,
Loving God, Goddess, Creator of Mercy,
You who are our Higher Power;
Hear us as we make our request.**