



**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER
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“I Beg You ... Bear with One Another in Love”

The World Day of Prayer is a global ecumenical movement led by Christian women who welcome you to join in prayer and action for peace and justice. A service is held annually on or near the first Friday in March.

This service was developed in the context of the COVID 19 pandemic and bore in mind, in particular, the changed realities of world suffering which the global pandemic brought about.

This year the service has been written by the Christian women of Palestine who, despite all the suffering and injustice in the land of the Holy One, have maintained their *sumud* (steadfastness) through mostly non-violent resistance, and a genuine effort to advocate and work for justice together with Muslims and Jews who believe in equal rights. They ask everyone to bear with them in love and to pray for an end to all human suffering; to stand with them to achieve security and peace for all people around the world.

The World Day of Prayer is for everyone – men, women, and young people.

A warm welcome awaits you at your local service, and you are invited to share your faith, joy and hopes.

For further information and resources, together with details of services in your area, please see the World Day of Prayer Scotland website www.wdpscotland.org.uk