

Prayer Litany for Celebrating Abilities and Love
I Corinthians 13

Leader: "Love never gives up. Love cares more for others than for self."

People: Loving God, thank you for your gift of Love...for the way we care for one another.

Leader: Help us, Lord, to love all people in our world and to truly show how we care for them.

People: "Love doesn't want what it doesn't have. Love doesn't strut, doesn't have a swelled head, doesn't force itself on others, isn't always 'me first'."

Leader: Thank you, God, for all you have given each of us.

Help us to be humble, to accept our differences, and to think of others before ourselves.

People: We are grateful that we can celebrate the abilities You have given each of us.

Leader: "Love doesn't fly off the handle, doesn't keep score of the sins of others, doesn't revel when others grovel."

People: Help us to be patient with one another, to forgive mistakes and shortcomings, and to give up our pride and self-righteousness.

Leader: We know you have created each of us in Your image

and planned for us to be valued in our families and our community.

People: "Loves takes pleasure in the flowering of the Truth."

Leader: God, help us see the true beauty of all people in Your Creation and to Celebrate the beauty of each of us.

People: Thank you, God, for making each of us special and worthy of your Love.

Leader: "Love puts up with anything and trusts God always."

People: Give us patience and wisdom, God, to love and accept one another and to trust you in all we do.

Leader: "Love always looks for the best, never looks back, but keeps going to the end."

People: Help us, loving God, to see the best in everyone and to keep going forward as we love and accept our differences.

Leader: "Love never fails." We thank you, God, that Love is the greatest gift we can give one another and ourselves. Help us always to remember to love our families, our friends, and those we don't even know.

People: Thank you, God, for this opportunity to show our Love and to Celebrate the Abilities of all your people.

Leader: Thank you, God, for the many abilities You give us all. Help us to use our talents and gifts to make our world a better place for all people. We ask Your blessings on all who are here this morning. We ask for your guidance as we grow in acceptance of one another. Thank you for loving us just as we are.

All: We Celebrate Your Love and ask these things in Your Name. Amen.