Rev. Cindy offers this prayer for the world and for you:

Loving Creator, who made and sustains the world, thank You for Your compassionate care. Thank You for governments and health professionals around the world who are sharing best practices and cooperating to contain this virus and develop an effective vaccine. Grant them wisdom to make good decisions in a timely manner for the benefit of all.

We also give thanks for doctors, nurses and caregivers who continue to put their own health at risk to test and treat those who are sick. We wrap our hearts around those who are grieving the passing of loved ones and all who have tested positive from this virus. Surround them with love, support and compassionate care. May they know they are not alone.

We also thank You for cleaning workers and for every church, school, office and business from banks to grocery stores who are doing what that they can to protect people. Thank You for reliable sources of sound medical information and the simple gift of washing our hands.

We uphold those whose livelihood is dramatically affected by the economic impacts in Canada and around the world. Guide our leaders to know the best response in the short-term, as well as the best way forward in the future.

Bring to mind people who are shut-in, vulnerable, feeling frightened, self-isolated or quarantined. Help us to find creative ways to express kindness, inspire hope and be a caring community.

O God, may we know Your love and feel Your peace, through Jesus the Prince of Peace, Love and Compassion. Amen.