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As a patient we will *ask your permission* to be
prayed for. For more information, call 219.8011

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Intercessory Prayer

Intercessory Prayer is the effort to mediate with God on behalf of another person. At Saint Elizabeth Regional Medical Center, our associates/employees and volunteers pray for patients on an on-going basis.

When you are admitted, with your permission, your first name will be shared with a specific prayer group. They will pray for you for 7 or more days. For us,

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- *God's will be done,*
- *Peace and comfort be granted the patient, and*
- *Prayers may be offered for caregivers.*

This type of prayer is asking God for help on behalf of another person. To protect your confidentiality only your first name will be shared with the prayer group. If you prefer not to be included in this type of spiritual care, please tell the registrar or your nurse.

If you have questions about our Intercessory Prayer program, please contact Pastoral Care at **219-8011**. Or, just dial "8011" from any phone inside our medical center campus.

Spirituality

Spirituality and prayer, throughout our more than 115-year history at Saint Elizabeth, have been at the foundation of all we do. We recognize that the care of each person's mind, body and spirit impact health. Therefore, we find ways to minister to our patients spiritually, as well as physically and emotionally. As always, our Pastoral Care department is available 24 hours a day to help meet our patients' spiritual needs.

Catholic Heritage

In 1889, a small band of brown-robed nuns, the Sisters of St. Francis, founded our hospital and began a tradition of Catholic health care. Today, at Saint Elizabeth Regional Medical Center, we consider it a privilege to note that their rich traditions, values and original mission have been nurtured within us for more than a century. As Lincoln's first hospital, patients continue to receive care physically, emotionally and spiritually. We further enhance our status as a faith-based medical center serving Lincoln and surrounding communities, by being a member facility of Catholic Health Initiatives (CHI). We are guided by the

Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services, which indicates that "Jesus' healing mission went further than caring only for the physical affliction. He touched people at the deepest level of their existence; He sought their physical, mental and spiritual healing." We believe prayer is one way to stay true to our Catholic heritage and to care for the whole person.

Mission Statement

The Mission of Saint Elizabeth Regional Medical Center is to nurture the healing ministry of the Church by bringing it new life, energy and viability in the 21st century. Fidelity to the Gospel urges us to emphasize human dignity and social justice as we move toward the creation of healthier communities.

God's Strength

The Lord is my rock, and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge...

Psalm 18:2