Chaplain Thoughts 2025-26



Prior to the prayer the chaplain can choose to use a thought from the following:

- 1. Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed people can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has. Margaret Mead, anthropologist
- 2. The heritage of the past is the seed that brings forth the harvest of the future. Found at the U.S. National Archives
- 3. Like our pioneer ancestors, we can find beauty even on ugly days; we can find light on dark days, and peace and joy amid turmoil and sorrow. Robert Conklin, author
- 4. The more we remember and serve, the larger the spiritual battalion for us and those we love. Anonymous
- 5. "I literally have nothing to complain about; I've found if you are constantly looking for positivity, you will find it." Ted Reusch, double amputee
- 6. "When you can no longer do what you have always done, you do what is most important," said Robert D. Hales after he was confined to a wheelchair.
- 7. We can be healed by other's stories. Patrick Stephen's stress reduction tip.
- 8. If you always do what you've always done, you will always be what you've always been! Henry Ford
- 9. We can make a definite difference by showing our love in ways that are natural to us, even if what we do is small and simple. Anonymous
- 10. To know the thoughts and deeds that have marked man's progress is to feel the great heart throbs of humanity through the centuries; and if one does not feel these pulsations of heavenward striving, one must be deaf to the harmonies of life. Helen Keller
- 11. Whatever we have, we have to work with it; go with the strength we have and seek to unite with others who share our love. Herman Miller, Swiss immigrant who lost everything in a bank failure
- 12. Milton Berle said, "Laughter is an instant vacation," and he loved to send people on an instant vacation.
- 13. They might not need me; but they might. I'll let my head be just in sight. A smile as small as mine might be precisely their necessity. Emily Dickenson, poet