

Passover and Easter Prayer Supplement 2020  
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**Why is this night different from all other nights?  
Why is this Passover and Easter  
different from all other Passovers and Easters past?**

**On this Passover and Easter,  
when a pandemic threatens our collective health  
on an unimaginable scale,  
we are called to respond with the power of our humanity,  
with the Divine spirit implanted in us,  
with our legacy of hope and determination to prevail.**

**We pray for those who are at risk,  
We pray for those who are isolated.  
We pray those who have been stricken.  
We pray for the mourners.**

**We pray for those who have dedicated their lives  
to keeping us healthy at Jewish Senior *Life* --  
the Doctors, the Nurses, the Aids,  
the Housekeeping and Maintenance staff,  
the Dietary Department who provides us  
with our meals each and every day,  
the Recreation Staff who arranges for us  
activities to vary our actions from one day to the next,  
all those who care to our numerous needs throughout the day.**

**We pray for the first responders –  
Police Officers, Fire Fighters, and  
The Military Personnel who have been  
marshalled to the cause.**

**We pray to the EMT's who have taken us  
to our appointments when needed.**

**We are grateful for all that you do  
for our safety and the welfare of our communities.**

**We pray for our elected officials  
who have been saving lives with their wise leadership.**

**May the God of All Faiths and Traditions,  
bless all of our public servants  
and watch over them as You watch over us.**

**On this Passover and Easter season,  
when so many are separated from one another,  
at a traditional time of being together,  
we reach out to one another  
with renewed love and compassion.**

**When someone is missing from our holiday meal,  
we tell their story as if they are with us.  
when there is personal sadness,  
we respond with communal  
solidarity, empathy, and fortitude.**

**On this holiday, not “all who are hungry come and eat”  
And not “all who are in need can come and celebrate.”  
In response, we commit ourselves  
to the values of these two holidays,  
To free the enslaved, to feed the hungry,  
To shelter the homeless, to support the poor...  
and the day when light will overcome darkness  
and health overcome infirmity.**

**Dear God of All Faiths and Traditions,  
spread over us Your shelter of peace  
as we seek safety in the shadow of Your wings.  
guard us and deliver us to a life of peace and wellness,  
now and always. *Amen.***