**Prayers in times of grief:**

1. Almighty God, Father of mercies and giver of comfort:  
   Deal graciously, with all those who mourn, that  
   casting every care on you, they may know the consolation of  
   your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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1. Lord Christ, your wept at the death of your friend   
   and taught that those who mourn shall be comforted:  
   Grant us the comfort of your presence in our loss.   
   Give us courage as we walk the mourner’s path each day;  
   and fill our hearts with gratitude for all those, living and deceased,

whose lives have made a lasting impact on our own. Amen.

1. Father of all, we pray to you for those we love, but see no longer: Grant them your peace, and let light perpetual shine upon them. In the midst of things we cannot understand, help us to cling to your immeasurable goodness, and know the power of your love, which working in us, can do infinitely more for us than we can ask or imagine. Amen.