## Intercessory prayer - Ruth Haley Barton

"I hold in Your healing presence" categories of person rather than working so hard to try and remember everything or to try and find words to what you're praying.

In the silence allow God to bring the names and faces to your mind, and you're just going to hold them with your open hands, and hold them in God's presence.

Response: "may they know the deep peace of Christ".

Allow God to bring persons and situations to mind. Allow the love of God to wash over that situation.

LORD, God, I hold in your healing presence those who:

- Suffer pain and ill health. may they know the deep peace of Christ
- Suffer in mind and spirit. may they know the deep peace of Christ
- Suffer hurt of pain and division, including places of hurt and division in my own life – response
- Are experiencing grief and loss response
- Need wisdom for their next steps response
- People and situations that seem broken and beyond repair response
- Whose needs are not known to me, but are known to You response
- are close to me and I name them now May they know the deep peace of Christ.

"And now glory to God from whom all love flows.

Glory to Jesus who showed His love through suffering

And glory to the Holy Spirit who brings light to the darkest places. Amen.