



## COMMUNITY SUPPORT

The Spiritual Care Staff at Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Center is supported by area clergy of the Episcopal, Lutheran, Primera United Methodist Baptist and non-denominational communities among others.

## THE CHAPEL

The Chapel is located on the first floor of the Main Hospital (Room 1403). It is open to patients, family members and friends for meditation and prayer.

## SCHEDULED WORSHIP SERVICES

### PRAYER AND WORSHIP SERVICE

- Every 2nd and 4th Thursday at noon

*Bedside services are available upon request.*

## HOLY DAY/HOLIDAY WORSHIP

A listing of scheduled Holy Day and Festival Services is available in the Spiritual Care Office. The Spiritual Care staff will do all they can to help you and your family continue to observe your religious practices during your hospital stay.

## CHURCH NOTIFICATION

With your permission, the Spiritual Care Staff will notify your clergy should you desire a visit.

## OFFICE

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## EMERGENCY CALLS

Evenings, weekends and holidays, call (716) 845-2300.

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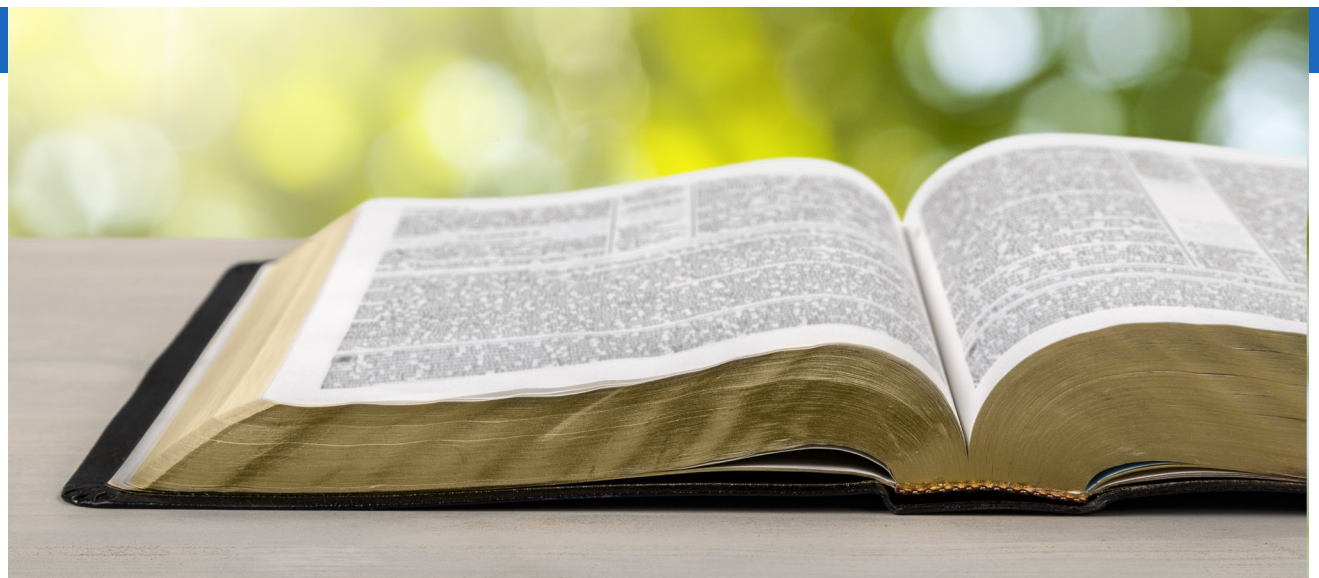
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## INTRODUCTION

The Spiritual Care staff at Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Center is an interfaith team that visits patients and their families in the inpatient units and in the outpatient clinics. The staff members bring with them their faith tradition and training that enables them to minister to members of their own faith communities.

The Spiritual Care staff is familiar with and sensitive to the issues that accompany illness. Spiritual Care Staff members are available Monday through Sunday for visitation. Spiritual Care Visitors are also available for the distribution of Communion the first Sunday of the month. The Protestant Staff Chaplains attempt to visit all Protestant new admissions. If they are unable, another member of the Spiritual Care Team will meet you and offer the services of the department.



## MAY WE BE OF SERVICE? COMMUNION

Communion is offered to patients and family members the first Sunday of the month. Spiritual Care Visitors are available to accommodate you on request. We also provide the service of “anointing” according to the Book of James 5: 13-16:

*“Is any one of you sick? He should call the elders of the church to pray over him and anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise him up.”*

If you would like to receive Communion or anointing, please call or have a staff person call the Spiritual Care Office at 716 845-8051.

## VISITATION

The Protestant Chaplains, visiting clergy and Spiritual Care Visitors are available for prayer and general visitation. If there are any circumstances particular to your own church life or if you have a question with regard to your current standing in the Church, members of the team are available to talk with you.

## RELIGIOUS ARTICLES

Bibles, prayer leaflets and the relic and medals of St. Peregrine (patron saint of cancer patients) are available in the Spiritual Care Office. Materials are also available in Spanish.

## IF YOU WOULD LIKE A VISIT

Members of the Spiritual Care staff visit inpatients and outpatients Monday through Friday from 9 am to 5 pm. Ministers of Holy Communion and Spiritual Care Visitors are available on weekends and holidays. A Chaplain, Spiritual Care Visitors and Ministers of Holy Communion are available on weekends as well. If you would like a visit, you can call 8051 or have your physician or another member of your health care team call.

Interfaith Chaplains are also available 24 hours a day to respond to the emergency needs of patients and families. Chaplains, Spiritual Care Visitors, and Ministers of Holy Communion are available for prayer and other spiritual care concerns.

## THE STAFF

### DIRECTOR:

- Rev. Dr. Melody Rutherford, DMin, M.S.

### CHAPLAINS:

- Rev. Dr. Reninger Flores

### COMMUNITY CLERGY

- Deacon Phil Hubbell
- Rev. Ray Schooler