Celebrating a Pregnancy
This prayer of blessing could be celebrated by the expectant parents alone or with close family and friends. It could be prayed once or on a regular basis during the pregnancy.

Each paragraph can read by alternate people or the same person.

**Reader/s**: New life is a gift from the one who created the universe
The swirling galaxies and the tiny ants.
New life is special; it is frightening;
It is absolutely ordinary and an awesome mystery.

We give you thanks God of all creation
For the new life that grows in (...Name...)
We ask your blessing on this tiny child
As he or she grows and develops in the safety of the womb.

May this child know only love and security
May he or she grow to be a truly good person,
kind and loving, healthy and generous.
And may the love of God always watch over him or her.

**Together:** God of creation,
who labored in love to bring the world to birth,
bless this gift which has been created through our love,
and the mystery of your life within us.
May the doors of possibility and promise always open before this child
And may he or she grow to fullness and wholeness of life
Today and each day, forever and ever. Amen.