**The Epiphany of the Lord Year B 3 January 2021**

**PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL**

Priest: The wise men followed the star and found Christ. With confidence let us now ask God for what we need.

Reader: That all nations will walk in the light of Christ. *(pause)* In faith we pray:

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That the Church will not grow tired of working for justice and peace. *(pause)*

In faith we pray:

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That cultural and ethnic diversity be appreciated as a source of strength and harmony.

*(pause)* In faith we pray:

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That we may strive to find Christ in one another. *(pause)* In faith we pray:

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That those who are sick will see the face of God in their suffering, including

Tony Riley, Don Raper, Rupert Ermert, Ann McDougall, Val Biggers, Celia Roach, and Mark Sissian. *(pause)* In faith we pray:

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Reader: That those who have died will embrace the light of eternal life, including

 Luke McCue, Tom Richardson, and our own deceased relatives and friends. (pause) In faith we pray

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Priest: God of light, you lead all people to your kingdom of hope and peace. Hear the prayers of your people and help us to see more clearly the mystery that is revealed in the coming of your Son, who is Lord for ever and ever.

**All: Amen.**