PRESIDER

Dear friends, thirsting for the living water that is Jesus, let us turn to God and pray for all the needs of the world.

READER

We pray for Pope Francis as he completes 10 years in office, that he will be sustained in body, mind and spirit for his prophetic ministry. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the global church, that it will be a well-spring of life for all in search of beauty, truth and goodness. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for all who are driven to risk their own and their children's lives for the sake of a new homeland, that they will find safety, shelter and support. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the nation's economic policy-makers, that they will view housing as a human right, (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the remote communities of Zimbabwe, that our support for Project Compassion will help them benefit from new conservation farming methods. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the recently deceased, . . . and for those whose anniversary of death occurs around this time, that they will be led in peace to the fount of eternal life. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

PRESIDER

Bountiful God, you give us Jesus to quench our thirst for life. Deepen our desire for his wisdom. We ask this through Christ, our Lord.