

## **PRESIDER**

Dear friends, gathered in Christ, head of the church and ruler of creation, let us turn to God in prayer.

## **READER**

For all who are engaged in the work of Christian unity, that they will hasten the day when all are one body, one Spirit, in Christ. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

For the nation of Australia, that the whole community will work together to foster a fair, respectful and compassionate society. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

For the First Nations people of the land, that the 30th anniversary of the Mabo decision (3 June) will hasten acceptance of the Uluru Statement from the Heart. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

For young people struggling to afford housing, that leaders will have the wisdom and courage to adopt policies to redress this inter-generational injustice. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

For all parents, that the joy of seeing their children grow will far outweigh the personal costs of parenting. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

For the recently deceased . . . and for those whose anniversary of death occurs around this time, that they will inherit the rich glories promised to the saints. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

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Mighty God and Father of glory, you raised your Son out of death to reign at your right hand. Help us bear witness to your life-giving love. We ask this through Christ our Lord.