

PRESIDER

Dear friends, called out of darkness into God's wonderful light, let us pray for that light to shine throughout the world.

READER

We pray for the people of every nation on earth, that they will come to know the peace and joy of God's all-embracing love. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for all seekers of wisdom, that they will be led by God's Spirit to the one who is our way, our truth and our life. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for all in positions of power, that they will use that power well to care for the earth, our common home. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for young people moving into work or tertiary studies, that they will find the way to best develop their gifts and put them at the service of others. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for fire-fighters, life-guards, rangers and all emergency service personnel, that they will stay safe themselves this summer while protecting the community. (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 live in the light of Christ forever. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

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God of eternal glory, you revealed the mystery of your love in the birth of Jesus Christ. Guide us always by the light he shed. We ask this through Christ our Lord.