

## **PRESIDER**

Dear friends, having listened to the Word of God, let us pray for his Spirit to bring new life to the whole human family.

## **READER**

On this Word of God Sunday, we pray that all Christians would grow in appreciation of the Word of God and proclaim it in word and deed. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for the many in war-torn places enduring extreme weather, famine and trauma, that they will receive the humanitarian aid they need to survive. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for economic policy makers, that they will have the wisdom and courage to undertake reforms that promote the common good. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for cancer patients, especially children, that today's World Cancer Day will encourage the sharing of research and resources for life-saving treatment. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for food producers and suppliers around the country, that they will care for the land and be paid fairly for the fruits of their labour. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for those who have died recently . . . and for those whose anniversary of death occurs around this time, that they will become a new creation in the glory of Christ. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

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God of mercy and compassion, you showed your love for us in the healing work of Jesus. Set us free from fear and send us out as heralds of hope. We ask this through Christ, our Lord.