## PRESIDER

Dear friends, the glory of God has dawned upon the world. In peace let us place the whole of humanity in the hands of our saving God.

## READER

We pray for all who long and search for wisdom, that their journey will lead them to the light of Christ. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the churches of both East and West, that they will bear united witness to the glorious mystery of salvation. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the tyrants of the world, that they will be converted from their brutal ambitions and become agents of peace and justice for their people. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for all who feel overwhelmed by economic or emotional hardship at this time, that they will find their way to the help they need. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

We pray for the dedicated staff and volunteers of all emergency services, that they themselves will stay safe and well as they protect 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 for ever. (Pause for silent prayer) Lord, hear us.

## PRESIDER

God of all grace and glory, you have revealed in Christ the mystery of your love for us. Help us walk always in the light of Christ, who is our Lord for ever and ever.