**Prayers of Intercession**

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L Lord, in Your mercy:

**R Hear our prayer!**

L: Lord, we pray

For all those who bring your message of peace: for those in the church who preach and teach of your forgiveness; for those within communities who work to reconcile, to break down barriers of fear and distrust: for those who campaign for peace for the world and for those who negotiate treaties and settlements…Lord, in your mercy;

**R: Hear our prayer**

L: Lord, we pray for all those who bring your message of hope:

For those engaged in the church’s ministry: for those who bring comfort and a new vision to the destitute: For those who work amongst the starving, implementing policies For tomorrow, as well as today… Lord, in your mercy;

**R: Hear our prayer**

L: We have a message. We have a message of life:

Life triumphant over death and sickness; Life triumphant over suffering and sorrow, Life for those who live in Christ; life for communities once cold and barren; life for the world in promise of God’s redemption.

Lord, we pray for all those who bring your message of life, those who make the resurrection of Christ a reality today; for members of the Church whose caring lives in past ages and in the present. Witness to Christ’s triumph: for all those who care for the suffering: for those whose insight and enthusiastic work put new heart into dying communities: for all those who work for the coming of God’s

kingdom of life and love and joy.