## PRAYER FOR THE WORLD

In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, let us pray for the life of the world, saying: O Christ, our light, hear our prayer.

We pray for the church ... With Mary, help us to treasure and ponder the gift that has been given to us, a gift of good news and great joy for all. O Christ, our light, hear our prayer.

We pray for the world ... With the prophets, help us to proclaim the promise of your peace for all nations and your justice for all people. O Christ, our light, hear our prayer.

We pray for this community ... With the shepherds, help us to keep watch over those entrusted to our care and all who need protection this night. O Christ, our light, hear our prayer.

We pray for loved ones ... With the angels, help us to offer signs of hope, comfort, and joy for all who live in fear. O Christ, our light, hear our prayer.

Lord Jesus Christ, hope of the world, help us to bear witness to your light so that all may believe and have life in you; in your holy name we pray. Amen.

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