

Leader Guide Template

Friday Prayer for the Healing of the Nations—Advent

INTRODUCTION - *<Name>*

If you have a commemoration or particular instructions about a portion of the service, put them here.

After the Litany for the Healing of the Nations, there will be a time for prayer. You may light a candle and place it in any of the stations, or just pray as you wish. If you pray at the station with the square vessel, others may come and lay hands upon you while you pray, joining their prayers with yours.

OPENING - *<Name>*

The assembly stands.

**In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord,
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.**

**Every valley shall be lifted up,
and every mountain and hill be made low.**

**The glory of the Lord shall be revealed,
and all people shall see it together.**

Come Now, O Prince of Peace *Ososǒ, Ososǒ*



O - so - sǒ o - so - sǒ, pyong - hwa - ŭi - im - gŭm
1 Come now, O Prince of peace, make us one bod - y.
2 Come now, O God of love, make us one bod - y.
3 Come now and set us free, O God, our Sav - ior.
4 Come, Hope of u - ni - ty, make us one bod - y.



u - ri - ga han - mom i - ru - ge ha - so - sǒ.
Come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile your peo - ple.
Come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile your peo - ple.
Come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile all na - tions.
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The assembly is seated.

PSALM: <Psalm (and verses, if necessary)> - <Name>

After the Psalm is finished, allow 10-15 seconds of silence.

PSALM PRAYER: - <Name>

The Psalm Prayer can be found after the psalm in the ELW Leader's Desk Edition, beginning on p. 737.

READING: <Book, Chapter and verses> - <Name>

Before the reading, announce:

A reading from _____.

After the reading, say:

Word of God, word of life.

The assembly stands.

HYMN: <Number, Title>

The assembly is seated.

BRIEF TIME FOR SILENCE (15-30 seconds)

PRAYER FOR THE HEALING OF THE NATIONS - <Name>

The Litany of the Nations begins the time for prayer.

Cantor sings the refrain first, then everyone sings.

For the healing of nations we pray to you O God.

*The cantor sings the stanzas and after each pairing of countries, the assembly sings **Peace be yours.***

After each stanza, everyone responds with the refrain.

HYMNS:

Choose several shorter, contemplative-style hymns for singing during the prayers. Hymns may be chosen from ELW, Singing Our Prayer, or another resource (provided that copies can be distributed before the service).

<Number, Title>

<Number, Title>

<Number, Title>

CONCLUDING PRAYER - <Name>

The assembly stands.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, You are gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. You draw near to those who call upon you, crying out from their hearts. Hear our cries, receive our prayers, and fill us with your blessing, until needy no longer, your whole creation sings your praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER: - <Name>

Ecumenical

"Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit let us prayer as Jesus taught us..."

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,

now and forever. Amen

Traditional

"Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray..."

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name,

thy kingdom come,

thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those

who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen.

BLESSING: - <Name>

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Almighty God bless us, and direct our day and our deeds in peace.

Amen.

The leaders share the peace with one another as an invitation for the assembly to do the same.