## **ADVENT LITANY 2023**

Leader: In this season of Advent, as we await the coming of the Prince of Peace, let us join our hearts in prayer and recommit to do the work that fosters peace in our homes, communities, nation, and around the world.

People: Lord, in the midst of strife and chaos, we lift our voices for peace on earth.

Leader: For nations torn by division and wars, may your reconciling love prevail.

People: Let there be peace on earth.

Leader: In places where violence reigns, may the light of Christ dispel the darkness.

People: Let there be peace on earth.

Leader: Amidst the rumors of wars and the unsettling echoes of discord, may your calming presence be felt.

People: Let there be peace on earth.

Leader: As we anticipate the celebration of Christ's birth, fill our hearts with a deep longing for the peace that only you can bring.

People: Let there be peace on earth.

Leader: We pray for all those affected by strife, that they may experience the transforming power of your peace even as we work for justice and righteousness.

People: Let there be peace on earth.

Leader: Lord, as we journey through this Advent season, may our collective prayers rise like incense before you. Hear our cries, O Lord as we seek peace and pursue it. Grant us the peace that surpasses all understanding and help us to live it out wherever we go.

ALL: Let there be peace on earth, Amen.

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