Leader: Standing or kneeling, let us pray to the Lord.

For all who have seen the light of Christ, and for all who work to spread it in the world. May they have the joy that moves mountains and the peace that wins over all enemies. We pray especially for Christians whose faith must withstand the loss of home, family, and personal safety. Lord, hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

For the leaders of Christian communities around the world. May their wisdom and gentleness inspire the faithful and convert the hard-hearted. We pray especially for those who lead the Anglican Communion and our own Church: [church leaders by name]. Lord, hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

For those who lead the nations of the world, and for all countries and people. May they do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly as servants of the Kingdom of God. We pray especially for [political leaders by name], and for all those who work for peace and reconciliation. Lord, hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

For the needs of our own community, for our neighbors, and for those whose dignity depends on our compassion. In helping and being helped, may we make one another holy. Lord, hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

For all who have lost home and security through war, natural disaster, and economic hardship. May we have the courage and energy to see and respond to their needs, and may they find the safe rest that is a foretaste of our promised rest in Heaven. Lord, hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially:
May they find healing and strength. Lord, hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for our partners in mission, especially [churches in the diocesan and Anglican Communion cycles of prayer]. May they join with us in spreading the Gospel and building the Kingdom. Lord, hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for all who have died, especially:

and we give thanks for all the saints and faithful people who have gone before us. May they have rest from their labors and a share in God’s promises. Lord, hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

Merciful Father,
accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Savior, Jesus Christ.
Amen.