

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Celebrant: For the salvation of the world, Christ came to do his Father's will. In her trust in God, Our Lady conformed herself to that same will. Let us unite in prayer, accepting the will of our Father.

Our response is: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

1. That Christ, obedient to his Father, may guide all members of the Church to trust in God's promises, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

2. That Christ our peace may silence the thunder of strife and war at this time, especially here in our neighboring countries, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

3. That Christ, who lived so humbly among us, may draw us closer to the poor, the lonely and the neglected in the Christmas season, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

4. That Christ, blessed fruit of the Virgin's womb, may teach us to love and honor his Mother in our homes, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

5. That Christ the shepherd of his people may bring the departed into his kingdom, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Celebrant: Almighty God, your Son came to do your will, to make all things new. May our prayers extend his kingdom of mercy, peace and justice. We ask this, through Christ our Lord. Amen.