

Prayer – God of peace

Coming into this place of worship

from a world that is sometimes confusing and threatening,
we pray for your presence here and now among us.

We thank you for this community of faith,

where we listen to the words inspired by your message of love,
where we share our lives with brothers and sisters,
where we learn about compassion,
where we live in hope,
where we can be together in peace.

God, all around us

we see growing division between people
because of politics, gender, religion, race, economics.
in so many countries,

we see growing nationalism and populism.

Aggression and violence are becoming part of our daily lives
on social media and in the streets.

We pray for this world, God.

That leaders may grow in wisdom,
that people treat each other with respect.

May we understand that the way to your kingdom

is paved with peace, justice and love for the earth and the people.
Be with us, grant us your grace. Amen.

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