

## Reading – Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14

*(Note: Since verses 1–7 of Psalm 72 were also used in Advent 2, the emphasis here is on the new verses, 10–14, which fit well with Epiphany themes. If your congregation has someone who knows sign language, this passage would lend itself well to interpretation through sign language. If not, a solo voice can read the litany expressively.)*

Reader: Like rain that falls on newly mown grass  
and showers that water the earth,  
righteousness will flourish and peace will abound.  
The kings of Tarshish render tribute to the King of kings.  
The kings of Sheba and Seba bring gifts,  
and all kings fall down before the Prince of Peace.  
For God delivers the needy,  
takes pity on the weak, and saves the poor.  
From oppression and violence God redeems their lives,  
and precious is their blood in God's sight.

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