

Prayer for Peace in Ukraine

God of Peace, whose light dispels the darkest night,
we pray for the people of Ukraine at this time of warfare and violence.
Give comfort to those who suffer and calm to those who live in fear.
Grant eternal life to those who have died and consolation to those who mourn.
Companion those who are fleeing their homeland and grant them a safe haven.
Open the hearts of those who live in neighboring countries as they welcome refugees.
Convert the hearts and minds of those who choose arms and protect those who wage peace.

God of hope, inspire leaders to seek reconciliation with enemies by embracing nonviolence.
Give diplomats wisdom, understanding and insight and lead them in the way of peace.
May the universal church be salt and light in this dark time.

Inspire compassion in the hearts of all your people
and give us hope for a world where justice rolls down like water
and righteousness like an everflowing stream.
We ask this through Jesus Christ, Prince of Peace and Light of the World,
who taught us "Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called children of God,"
through the intercession of Mary, Queen of Peace. Amen.