

# Celebrate Epiphany *with the World Church*



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## Praying with the World Church

## Jesus is the Light of the World

**All**      **The light shines in the darkness  
and the darkness has not overcome it.**

*John 8.12, John 1.5*

*A candle is lit.*

Arise, shine, for your light has come,

**All** And the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

For darkness shall cover the earth  
and thick darkness the peoples,

**All** but the Lord will arise upon you,  
and his glory shall appear over you.

Nations shall come to your light

**All** and kings to the brightness of  
your dawn. *Isaiah 60.1-3*

*The Collect, prepared by one of our partners, is read.*

God of unity, grace and love,  
the creator of all that is seen and unseen,  
you call all people of the world,  
indeed, all of creation into unity, with the Trinity.

Give us grace to take seriously the divisions within and between the Body of Christ throughout the world. Take away from us all hatred, prejudice and malice, and whatever else may hinder us from godly union and concord.

Place within our hearts the will, purpose and pleasure, to strive after our call to live the unity we have in the one Lord, one faith, one baptism and one God and creator of all.

Help us to live in that unity, built on an aspiration of one heart, one soul, one mind and one love; united in one holy bond of truth, peace and of a charitable spirit.

With one mouth and one will we glorify you our God, with the hope of a fully united church, through Jesus Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit, throughout all ages. Amen.

*Collect from Bishop Garth Minott, Bishop of Kingston,  
Diocese of Jamaica and the Cayman Islands*

**All**      The light shines in the darkness,  
                  **and the darkness will not overcome it.**  
                  **Amen.**

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