KEEP PRAYING

EPIPHANY — GOD, LIGHT IN OUR DARKNESS



'Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.' (Psalm 119:105, NRSV)

God behind us – we have worshipped at your crib and we don't go away empty-handed.

God around us – we thank you for each other and seek your Spirit's help in discerning the way ahead.

God who bends the knee – reveal our prejudices and illumine our blind-spots; may we notice your light in our local communities.

God who fans the flame – help us nurture sparks of mission, ignited through these months of pandemic.

God before us – help us not to turn aside from painful conversations and uncomfortable decisions; give us courage to keep walking forward together.

God within us – here we are; shock us again into knowing that we really bear the Light of Light.





Lord of the years, as we bear your light through thresholds of uncertainty, Dispel the shadows and give us courage and wisdom.

Release within us your gifts of grace, And journey with us as we share your light, Confident in your ever-loving presence.

Amen.

In this season of Epiphany, every time you light a candle, make it a physical prayer for light to shine in darkness, bringing healing, courage, wisdom or compassion.

How might we be light-bearers as we journey through uncertainty? Where can we say 'no' to darkness - in ourselves, in our churches and in our world

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