

All rise

FOR OUR CONGREGATION AND OUR PEOPLE

Lord, we pray to You for the whole House of Israel, scattered over the earth, yet bound together by a common history and united by a common heritage of faith and hope.

Reader 1

Be with our brothers and sisters whose lives are made hard because they are Jews. Give them strength to endure, and lead them soon from bondage to freedom, from darkness to light.

Reader 2

Bless this holy congregation and all who serve it, together with all other holy congregations, in all lands near and far. Uphold us, shield us, and bestow upon us abundant life and health and peace and happiness. Bring to fulfillment the blessing of Moses: The Lord your God make you a thousand times as many as you are, and bless you as He has promised you. Amen.

Reader 1

O God, send Your healing to the sick, Your comfort to all who are in pain or anxiety, Your tender love to the sorrowing hearts among us. Be their refuge through their time of trial, as they pass from weakness to strength, from suffering to consolation, from lonely fear to the courage of faith. Amen.

Reader 2

FOR OUR NATION AND ITS RULERS

*We pray for all who hold positions of leadership and responsibility in our national life. Let Your blessing rest upon them, and make them responsive to Your will, so that our nation may be to the world an example of justice and compassion.*