Leader: Lord Jesus, you were sent to humanity to remind us of our call to holiness. Yet we forsake this call.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Christ Jesus, we continue to find ourselves out of right relationship with you and God’s people. We see hunger, disease, lack of water, and crops dying all around us.

People: Christ, have mercy.

Leader: Lord Jesus, help us to make our relationships with one another a reflection of your call to justice.

People: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Christ Jesus, we know we are close to your heart. Scripture reminds us that you care for those who are the most vulnerable.

People: Christ, have mercy.

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