## For those caught up in tragedy and disaster

O Lord our God, source of all goodness and love, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies look with compassion upon all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

#### A simple prayer in troubled times

God of love, turn our hearts to your ways; and give us peace. Amen.

#### A prayer for justice

Living God, deliver us from a world without justice and a future without mercy; in your mercy, establish justice, and in your justice, remember the mercy revealed to us in Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### **International unrest**

Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

# A prayer at a time of despair

Restless with grief and fear, the abandoned turn to you: in every hour of trial, good Lord, deliver us, O God most holy, God most strong, whose wisdom is the cross of Christ.

### For peace and safety amid unrest

O God, who would fold both heaven and earth in a single peace: let the design of thy great love lighten upon the waste of our wraths and sorrows: and give peace to thy Church, peace among nations, peace in our dwellings, and peace in our hearts: through thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

### For the refugee crisis

Heavenly Father,you are the source of all goodness, generosity and love.We thank you for opening the hearts of manyto those who are fleeing for their lives.Help us now to open our arms in welcome,and reach out our hands in support.That the desperate may find new hope,and lives torn apart be restored.We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord,who fled persecution at His birthand at His last triumphed over death.Amen.