## **ADVENT 4 READING**

ALL: We lit the first candle, the candle of hope, to remind us of Jesus Who is our sure and certain hope, and Who has promised to return one day. We lit the second candle, the candle of peace, to remind us that Jesus is the Prince of Peace. We lit the third candle, the candle of joy, to remind us that Jesus came to bring us joy, and that our joy is complete when we live with Jesus and His people.

One: God is love. Show us Your forever love, O Lord, and grant us Your salvation.

**One:** This is love: not that we loved God first, but that God first loved us and sent His Son to take away our sins.

ALL: For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.

**One:** We light this candle, the candle of love, to remind us that when the kindness and love of God our Saviour appeared, Jesus came to save us because of His great love for us.

[The fourth candle is lit.]

One: Let us pray.

ALL: We trust, O God, in Your forever love. We thank You that nothing can keep us away from Your amazing love that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. Thank You for loving us so very, very much. In Jesus' name, AMEN.