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## PEACE: THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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**LEADER:** God has ordered that every high mountain and the everlasting hills be made low, and the valleys filled up, to make level ground. It is this level ground for which we wait.

**RESPONSE:** Refine us, purify us, redefine us. Make us instruments of your peace, and help us to resist oppressive forces.

**LEADER:** The Lord has ordered that every crooked place shall be made straight, and every rough way be made smooth. And we wait, and pray, for the day when all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

**RESPONSE:** Refine us, purify us, redefine us. Make us instruments of your peace, and help us to resist oppressive forces.

**LEADER:** We join with God in becoming instruments of peace, restorers of justice, and stewards of equity. Give to us, O Lord, a renewed spirit of peace and justice – knowing that they exist alongside each other.

*Light two purple candles.*

**ALL:** We light a candle of peace, trusting that it is the peace of God which surpasses our understanding, and will keep our hearts and minds even in our waiting for Christ. Amen.