

## Readings for July 14, 2024

### **Psalm 46: 1-7, 9, 10 (adapted)**

God is our refuge and strength,  
a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,  
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;  
though its waters roar and foam,  
though the mountains tremble with its tumult. *Selah*

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,  
the holy habitation of the Most High.

God is in the midst of the city; they shall not be moved;  
God will help when the morning dawns.

The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter;  
God utters God's voice, the earth melts.

The God of hosts is with us;  
God at the heels of the Beloved is our refuge. *Selah*

God makes wars cease to the end of the earth;  
God breaks the bow, and shatters the spear;  
God burns the shields with fire.

"Be still, and know that I am God!"

### **John 17:20-25 (adapted)**

My prayer is not for them alone (who have followed me and walked with me). I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, that all of them may be one. Beloved, just as you are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one—I in them and you in me—so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.

My parent, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, and to see my glory, the glory you have given me because you loved me before the creation of the world.

Beloved parent, though the world does not know you, I know you, and they know that you have sent me.