** Advent Prayer Activity - Week 2**

 **‘Isaiah Prayer Dice’**

**Teacher Notes**

Prayer dice are helpful tools for times of prayer when inspiration is needed – these prayers are of thanks for the gift of Jesus at Christmas. This activity uses the language of Isaiah chapter 9 vs 6 as designs for the sides of a standard die. Each side design is accompanied by a prayer card that can be read after selection dictated by the dice role.

Use the template on the second page of this resource to copy on to card; children can then complete their own design. Use the tabs to glue the cube together to create the dice. The dice can then be used by children for their own private prayer at home or for use in the classroom during class worship.

Write the following words on each side of the dice template:

**Side 1** – ‘For unto us a child is born’

**Side 2** – ‘To us a son is given’

**‘Prince of Peace’**

**Side 3** – ‘Wonderful Counsellor’

**Side 4** – ‘Mighty God’

**Side 5** – ‘Everlasting Father’

**Side 6** – ‘Prince of Peace’

Accompanying Prayer Cards:

**‘For unto us a child is born’**

*Father God*

*We praise you and thank you for the birth of your Son, Jesus Christ, for the obedience of Mary and the faithfulness of Joseph. Help us to be good servants for you, loving one another as Jesus taught us, Amen*

**‘Mighty God’**

*Powerful God*

*We give You praise for the miracles of Jesus. He revealed Your power for good, triumphing over all that is evil in this world. Help us to be forces of goodness and love and to be joyful followers of You, Amen*

**‘Everlasting Father’**

*Eternal God*

*Through the birth of Jesus at Christmas, and his life here on Earth, we give thanks for the gift of eternal life. Help us to understand our shortcomings and to look to Jesus for forgiveness, Amen*

**‘Prince of Peace’**

*Peaceful God*

*Thank you that Jesus came to this Earth to be the Prince of Peace. Help us to be peacemakers. And through the presence of your Holy Spirit, may we experience your peace that passes all understanding, Amen.*

**‘To us a son is given’**

*Generous God*

*This Christmas, we give you thanks for the gift of your son, Jesus Christ. That through his life and example we know to live our lives to glorify you. Help us to be more like Jesus, Amen.*

**‘Wonderful Counsellor’**

*God of Wisdom*

*Jesus came to be a perfect example for us to follow. Give us a hunger and desire to know and understand his teachings such that we can live a fulfilled life that honours You, Amen.*

