

YOUR CARD INSERT: Here is a card insert page that echoes the lined effect on the front of some of my Holiday cards. You will attach this inside your card, to create the look that is found in many higher quality cards. Print this insert sheet on a lighter-weight paper. You can even use a colored paper, parchment, linen, etc. You'll notice that the dimensions of this insert are smaller than your 5" x 7" card, for a more elegant effect. To cut your card insert out, use a ruler and an exacto knife for the neatest edge. After you cut the insert out, then fold it in half. Find more instructions below...

Dear God, we give thanks
for places of simplicity and peace.
Let us find such a place within ourselves.

We give thanks for places of refuge and beauty.
Let us find such a place within ourselves.


We give thanks for places of nature's truth and freedom,
of joy, inspiration and renewal — places where
all creatures may find acceptance and belonging.

Let us search for these places — in the world,
in ourselves and in others.
Let us restore them.
Let us strengthen and protect them,
and let us create them.

May we mend this outer world
according to the truth of our inner life,
and may our souls be shaped and nourished
by nature's eternal wisdom.

Amen.

— by Michael Leunig



IN THIS
SEASON
AND THE
COMING YEAR,
MAY PEACE BE
OUR GUIDE,
JOY BE
OUR SONG,
AND LOVE BE
OUR PURPOSE.

peace, joy, and love to you...

To attach this insert inside your card interior, it's best use a small piece of double-stick tape. (Glue will cause your insert paper to develop small puckers.) Open your folded card, and on the left half put a 1-inch piece of double-stick tape in the middle — about an inch left of where the card is folded. Now nest the (folded) piece of insert paper where the card is folded. Close your card, and press. When you open your card, the insert will have attached itself to the left side of your card's interior. Next time you are in a card store, notice what has been done... you may find a way that you like even better!