

**PRAY  
AND ACT  
FOR  
PEACE**



**Prayer for peace**

God of wholeness,  
You are our source  
and our home.

You give us your self for nourishment;  
You show us your face  
in the faces of strangers  
and friends.  
Help us receive you this day with gratitude.

You try us as silver is tried;  
You trust us to care for other human beings,  
for other creatures,  
and for the ground which yields food to sustain us.  
Help us to be faithful to you  
as we are faithful to each other and all you have made.

Open us  
to welcome even hostile people  
who will not listen  
into the broad circle of your love,  
and in your mercy  
open their hearts to us.

You welcome us, though we are a stubborn and wandering people.  
You give the earth into our care, though we are but sojourners with you.  
Open this day welcome spaces to homeless, frightened, and weary people.

God who encircles us all our lives,  
deepen within us strong roots  
of righteousness and peace,  
justice and mercy,  
that the world may be mended,  
and we, with your land and all your creatures  
may live and move, rest and work  
without fear:  
that we together  
may be whole as you are whole,  
through Christ, and in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
Amen.

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