

Faithful Gardeners of Our Common Home

“The earth has yielded it’s harvest, God our God has blessed us”

Psalm 67

“Each community can take from the bounty of the earth whatever it needs for subsistence, but it also has the duty to protect the earth and to ensure its fruitfulness for coming generations.” *(67 Laudato Si)*

Loving Divine Gardener,

You have given us our earth to till, cultivate and safeguard.

You have given our lands various climates to grow and share the food we need. You provided seeds meant to plant and share with one another causing gladness of heart.

You call us to be faithful gardeners of our common home to protect...

Water that cleanses and gives life to all living beings

Trees that shelter and shade us from the heat and give us fresh air

Food that nourishes all living beings on this earth

Plants, fruit, and flowers that bring color to our eyes and joy to our hearts

Animals that delight the world.

As Your people present on this earth to share Your abundant gifts, may we be generous in heart to welcome the stranger, give food to those who are hungry, provide clean water for those who are thirsty and sow in our hearts compassion for those in anguish.

Amen