

Prayer for the World Day of Social Justice

God, We are called to ongoing conversion,
 Choosing, again and again,
 To be grounded in prophetic hope,
 To affirm the steps toward justice,
 To participate in the possibility of peace.

We are called to see the world
 As God's ongoing creation,
 Where all are part of one whole,
 Where all is connected,
 Where all is communion.

We are called to celebrate
 The good that persists, even in darkness,
 The light that refuses to be extinguished,
 The beauty that can shine through
 Even when suffering and pain overwhelm.

We are blessed to be called,
 We are blessed to struggle
 To choose hope, to affirm justice,
 To participate in peacemaking.

We are blessed to know the good,
 To see the light, to celebrate the beauty
 Of the Creator's world.

We are blessed by the strength of solidarity
 As we turn toward connection,
 Compassion and communion. Amen.

— Jane Deren, Ph.D.

