



*do justice • love tenderly • walk humbly with God* Micah 6:8

**January 29, 2025**

We begin all of our prayer in the presence of our loving Creator; because we are all created in the very image and likeness of God!

**As a Christian community, we know this:**

**God made the Earth for all of us to share!**

**Daily reflection:**

*(from the life of Oscar Romero)*

Bishop Oscar Romero was the bishop of the country of El Salvador. There were many poor people in El Salvador who were being persecuted by rich and powerful people. The poorer people were being robbed of what few things that they had. Bishop Romero spoke on the radio every week, telling people about God's love and saying that the people in poverty deserved to be treated better. He said that everyone deserves to share in the food that the Earth produces. The powerful people did not like what Bishop Romero was saying, but he defended his people until his assassination.

**Daily call to action:**

Not everyone has the public platform of a bishop, or has their own radio program, but we do all have ways to speak out for people who are suffering and make our voices heard – within our own communities or by contacting those who speak on our behalf in local and national government.

We pray today for the grace and strength to speak up for others.

**Intercessions/ our prayer for our world:**

For leaders of all countries, that they will stop all wars and civil fighting and instead work to share the world's resources.

For migrant families, that they will find good jobs and safe places to live.

For the people in our city, that we will all respect each other and work together to build a strong community.

For our families and our friends, that we will share with each other and take care of what God has given to us.

For all of us, that we will continue to be generous to those around us.

**Blessing:** *(the prayer of Aaron over the people of God: Num. 6:23b–26)*

May the Lord bless you and keep you!

May the Lord let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you!

May the Lord look upon you kindly and give you peace!

*And we say together with all of the people of God:*

**Amen.**