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

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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:

Everyone needs a home!

Daily reflection: (Laudato Si', 65)

"How wonderful is the certainty that each human life is not adrift in the midst of hopeless chaos, in a world ruled by pure chance or endlessly recurring cycles! The Creator can say to each one of us: "Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you" (Jer 1:5). We were conceived in the heart of God, and for this reason "each of us is the result of a thought of God. Each of us is willed, each of us is loved, each of us is necessary."

'Before I formed you in the womb...' – that is how intimately our Creator knows us! And every single person on earth, each and every one of us, is loved by the one who created us.

Every single person was created and sent by God to live here on this great big blue ball that we call "Earth". Each and every one of us is meant to be at home here – to have a home.

Daily decision for action:

There is no way that any of us can provide a home to every person on Earth.

But, as believers in the God who created each one of us, can we make even a small dent in the weird, lopsided access to housing that our society provides? Individually, we can help one person. Two or three people. Even dozens of people.

Together, we can change things for everyone.

Intercessions/ our prayer for our world:

For Church and world leaders, that they will protect the rights of every individual to be secure in their own home.

For people who are unhoused, may the Christian community work tirelessly to ensure that everyone has a home.

For all those who struggle to maintain a house to live in, may they have adequate access, income, and resources to live in safety and peace.

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.