God of all creation,

At the beginning of time
You placed a single mandate on humankind -
To be stewards of creation
To replenish and nurture through all generations
What you have made

We kneel today amid that same creation -
A world that is, in many ways, more splendid than ever
But in too many ways, scarred beyond recognition

Turn us from our unmindfulness
Help our touch be light
Help us renew the world that supports us
So we may once more know creation
As it was in the beginning

Amen

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