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Teach Us and Show Us the Way

VOICE ONE //
We call upon You, God of earth and sky, God of
the waters that flow in our rivers and streams,
and that fall upon our gardens and fields

ALL // Teach us and show us the way.

VOICE ONE // We call upon You, God of the
land that grows our food, the nurturing soil, the
fertile fields, the abundant seeds and gardens
and orchards

ALL // Teach us and show us the way.

VOICE ONE // We call upon You, God of the
forests, with their great trees reaching strongly to
the sky, with earth at their roots and the heavens
in their branches

ALL // Teach us and show us the way.

VOICE ONE // We call upon You, God of the
creatures of fields, forests, and seas, the wolves
and deer, the eagle and the dove, the great
whales and the dolphin, and all living things

ALL // Teach us and show us the way.

VOICE TWO // For the rain and sun and insects
to pollinate crops; for farmers who work with
nature and preserve the beauty and diversity of
God’s creation

ALL // We give thanks, O God.

VOICE TWO // For the soil, rich and precious,
home to countless living creatures that provide
our food

ALL // We give thanks, O God.

VOICE THREE // For wisdom to live in ways that
will acknowledge our dependence on the earth
for our daily food and fuel, and for caution in
manipulating the building blocks of life, we pray
to you:

ALL // O God, hear our prayer.

VOICE THREE // For those people who labour
on this earth to produce food for themselves
and for the world; for the landless and those
whose lands are mired in conflict or degraded
by drought; for the rich and the poor, the hungry
and the overfed, we pray to you:

ALL // O God, hear our prayer.

VOICE TWO // Send us out into the world, in
service to God’s creatures, as disciples of Jesus
who blessed bread and wine at the Last Supper
– bread which Earth has given and human hands
have made, and wine, fruit of the vine and work
of human hands. We are your hands and feet.

ALL // God, send forth your Spirit. Amen

(adapted from prayers in We Dare to Say: Praying for Justice
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