



Prayer to St. Francis

LEADER: For the earth, the sun, the moon and all the stars of the Universe.

All: We praise and thank you God. We ask you to help us be aware of the beauty of the universe.

LEADER: For all vegetation and flowers which yield food and beauty.

All: We praise and thank you God. We ask you to help us take proper care of our environment, of our soil, and of that which grows in the soil.

LEADER: For all creatures that dwell in the water.

All: We praise and thank you God. We ask you to help us keep the waters clean for future generations.

LEADER: For the birds of the air and the fowl who wander on the earth.

ALL: We praise and thank you God. We ask you to help us keep the air clean for finches, hummingbirds, nut hatches, and all the birds and fowl of the Earth.

LEADER: For all animals that roam upon the earth.

ALL: We praise and thank you God. Help us preserve all species of life, to keep balance in nature ... among our wildlife and our tame animals.

LEADER: For peace and justice in our world.

ALL: God inspire people to work together to promote harmony to encourage and bring out the best in each other. Help us to end violence and crime in our world.

LEADER: St. Francis tried to live a simple life.

ALL: We praise and thank you God for the life of St. Francis. May we strive to live simple lives.

LEADER: For all people on the earth whom God has created.

ALL: We praise and thank you God. We ask you to guide us in our responsibility in caring for people throughout the world.

LEADER: For the numerous gifts and countless blessings that come to us from God.

ALL: With hearts overflowing with gratitude, we praise and thank our Creator God. For you, O Almighty God, live and reign and are glorified, in perfect Trinity and simple Unity, forever and ever. Amen.

(Adapted from a prayer of St. Francis)