



Prayer for the Pacific

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One: Dear God; Creator, Sustainer, Pain-bearer; Today we mourn with all our sisters and brothers whose lives were ravaged by last week's earthquake, tsunamis and typhoon.

All: We pray with all those whose sense of security and safety was washed away. We mourn for those who lost family and friends; for those who lost homes and business; for those whose communities lost vital services and infrastructures; for those whose communities no longer exist.

One: As we mourn and pray, we also recognize our call to help restore and rebuild that which can be restored and rebuilt; to comfort those in need of comforting; to reach out to those who may need a hand.

All: Within the worst moments of human experience there are still the seeds of holy hope.

Many: In the midst of natural disaster, there are still these seeds of hope.

One: In the midst of starvation and disease, there are still these seeds of hope.

Many: In the midst of oppression and injustice, there are still these seeds of hope.

One: In the midst of violence and neglect, there are still these seeds of hope.

All: May we nurture hope as it grows through our gifts, our service and our advocacy. Amen.