



Prayer for 9/11

The flames and ashes proclaimed our brokenness,
But healing was our challenge and our call,
Our vocation in the Spirit.

We must continue as a human community
To move toward wholeness,
To repair the ravages of hate,
To bring together
Rather than to tear apart.

The open gesture of trust must replace
The clenched fist, the refusal of the other's hand.
Only in building inclusive community
Do we construct a healing truth:
We are all fragile children of God
Needing each other for wholeness.

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