

Prayer for Faithful Leadership on Climate

Creator God, we declare with joy and trust that our world belongs to you.

For the fierce love with which you hold us and the rest of your creation, we declare

Our world belongs to God.

For creation's awesome beauty and its bountiful provision, we declare

Our world belongs to God.

For the manifold ways that it reveals your glory and draws us closer to you, we declare

Our world belongs to God.

Amidst its present groaning, we declare

Our world, broken and scarred, still belongs to God.

To our leaders, gathering together to seek answers to the climate crisis, we declare

Our world belongs to God.

May our leaders be motivated by compassion, and not by fear. May their goal be justice and equity, not political posturing.

For the sake of the people and the ministries of your Church across the globe already being affected by climate disruption, may we seek consensus over controversy; action over apathy.

For the sake of our children and grandchildren, we confess our complicity in creation's degradation, recommit ourselves to our earthkeeping task, and gratefully declare

Our world belongs to God.

As your people, participating now in your ongoing work of renewal and longing for the day when you will bring that work to completion, we declare

Our world belongs to God.

Our world belongs to you, O God.

Hallelujah! Come, Lord Jesus.