

Social Justice - November 2024

Amen, by Rosemerry Wahtola Trommer

When I forget that the whole world
is holy, even the tiny dark bugs
that slip through window screens
and flock and stick to kitchen lights,
even the charred black remains of forest,
even the river as it floods bright red,



United
Women
in Faith



even when my cheeks are tear-
stained
and my body tightens with fear,
that is when a kind letter from a
stranger arrives in the mail, or the
rabbit will stand on his back legs to
nibble on mint,
or the meadow will blaze with the
day's last slant of sunlight and my
heart opens so wide that inside the
fear rises praise.

The Strength of Hope:

As we move into fall and winter, we are reminded of all we have to be thankful for. We're also called to see injustice and suffering. But there is tremendous strength in hope...and in sharing that hope with vulnerable populations. Social Justice starts with food. It's a simple thing, but kids just focus better in school when they're not hungry and a huge amount of stress is relieved when parents know they can feed their kids. FISH food bank could really use some help right now. Drop by some food donations if you're able or send a donation if that's easier. Let's feed our neighbors.

Caring for our Climate:

The good news is that we're seeing so many innovations and changes to help the planet. But we're also facing deregulation coming in. What can we do? Taking action locally makes all the difference. The Climate Justice Center at CU is doing good work. They provide some great ideas about how you can get involved and make a real difference right here at home.

<https://www.colorado.edu/center/programs/energy-and-climate-justice/climate-justice-team>

A prayer for you: Lord, help us to remember that You made every person in your image and love each of us deeply. Help us to be love in action - to feed our neighbors and protect our planet. Amen.