

## Prayer for Elections

We pray for our nation in the coming weeks,  
That we move beyond our fears and concerns  
To discern what will serve the common good  
for all members of our society.

We pray that we may respond to the call of solidarity  
Rather than the call to separate interests.  
May we be more concerned with successful community  
Than with individual success.

We pray that we consider ways  
Through difficult economic problems  
That are compassionate and just  
For all who struggle for their daily bread.

We pray that we dwell deeply on the call  
To serve those in poverty  
And recognize that all humans  
Have the right to a life with dignity  
And with the basic services to promote human flourishing.

We pray that we take seriously  
The call to be peacemakers,  
Despite the complexities  
In our local, national, and global conflicts.

We pray that we honor  
Our responsibilities as citizens  
Without resorting to the polarization  
That limits our listening.  
Guide us in the coming weeks  
in our process of discernment  
So we serve you through our choices and  
Our concern for the common good.

