

## Prayer for Rooted Resolution

God, You who call us to be Community,  
We thank you for this day,  
For this life and breath so that we may work  
To fulfill the Beloved Community.

Thank you for giving us a root to seek  
The living waters and radical connections  
That help us grow.

We ask for the strength to carry on  
Through tired legs, heavy minds, and weeping  
hearts.

We ask for the wisdom to recognize the  
connections  
We have to each other so that we may build  
Compassion, empathy, and solidarity.

Please cultivate our hearts  
So that we set aside our egos  
To listen and to walk in solidarity and mutuality  
With those who are marginalized and  
exploited.

Please cultivate our understanding  
To know the impacts of our actions.

Help us to recognize the Peace needed  
To forgive ourselves and each other  
So that we may walk together in love, not hate.

Help us to recognize your Spirit in the  
spaciousness  
Between our roots, in our community,  
And in our families.



*"I pray that you, being rooted and firmly established in love, may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the length and width, height and depth of God's love."*

— Ephesians 3:17-18

And grant us the humility to know  
That we are a part of the long arc of Love  
From those who come before us and those  
who will come after us:

Ella Baker, Martin Luther King Jr., Dorothy Day, James Cone, Thea Bowman, Fredrick Douglass, Harriet Tubman, Ignacio Ellacuría, S.J., Sojourner Truth, Óscar Romero, Antona Ebo, Rutilio Grande S.J., Kateri Takakwitha, Dan Berrigan, S.J., and César Chávez. Be with us in our journey.

**Amen.**

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