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Pastor's Column

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A Prayer for All Workers

“Loving, working God, on this Labor Day Weekend we ask your special blessing on all people who labor, either for pay or as volunteers, in jobs or at school, in the workplace or at home, in the United States and around the world.

We especially pray for your blessings on workers who do not have jobs and for those whose inadequate pay does not allow them to live the full life you intend for each of us.

Creator God, help us to build a new world in the midst of the old. A world where all workers are valued... A world where those who clean houses are also able to buy houses to live in... A world where those who grow food can also afford to eat their fill...

We pray for the coming of a world where all workers everywhere share in the abundance that you have given us.

We ask these things knowing that you give us the courage and strength to live out our faith in the workplace and the marketplace, as well as in the sanctuary.

Amen.”

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