1. **Prayer for Homeless People**

Hear our prayer today for all women and men,

boys and girls who are homeless this day.

For those sleeping under bridges,

on park benches, in doorways or bus stations.

For those who can only find shelter for the night

but must wander in the daytime.

 **Refrain: VU 400 Lord, listen to your children praying…**

For families broken

because they could not afford to pay the rent.

For those who have no relatives or friends

who can take them in.

For those who have no place to keep possessions

that remind them who they are.

**Refrain: VU 400 Lord, listen to your children praying…**

For those who are afraid and hopeless.

For those who have been betrayed by our social safety net.

**For all of these and for all of us, we pray.**

Enable us, Holy One, to have the perseverance

to work to provide shelter, security and hope.

We pray for those of us with warm houses and comfortable beds

that we not be lulled into complacency and forgetfulness.

**Refrain: VU 400 Lord, listen to your children praying…**

Jesus, help us to see your face in the eyes of every homeless person we meet

so that we may be empowered through word and deed,

and through the political means we have,

to bring justice and peace to those who are homeless.

**Refrain: VU 400 Lord, listen to your children praying…**

**Amen.**