

“At One With the Earth”

A Hymn

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Though one may use this hymn throughout the year, it is especially suited for Earth Day or an outdoor worship setting. It may be sung to the tune of “Stanley Beach,” “Hanover,” “Lyons,” or others appropriate to the meter.

At one with the earth, at one with the Lord;
Our very foundation, nature’s life source.
God lives in the world as the Spirit fills all;
To cherish creation, our task and our call.

The rocks and the trees, the rivers and fields;
Are made of but one divinely pow’red will.
Our purpose, to care for this wonderful space;
Uplifting the planet throughout time and place.

The air that we breathe, sustains all we see;
The lion, the whale, the sparrow, the bee.
God’s justice is known by one simple decree—
To love God’s creation bestows harmony.

God, show us the task, and give us the tools
To care for creation by your good rules;
To love all your creatures, on land and in sea,
Each life lived in glory to divinity.

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