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Opening Prayer: O God our Father,
it is you who give to all people life
and breathe, a place to live, persons
to love, work to do, and strength to do it.
You have friendly given us all things.

Grant this one gift more. More love
for you. Free us from the attraction
and addiction of things made, and
help us to desire their maker. Draw
near to us as we see to draw near to
you thru Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer: Lord God, you know
the things we want and you know ~~the~~
how ~~usefully~~ and proudly we seek
them. We know hunger and thirst,
the longing and desire, the passion and
involvement of our hearts. We are a
people who have sought safety in power,
security in possessions, and satisfaction
in self. We write our own plans of

Salvation, and expect deliverance
through our own discoveries. But we
are a people who have failed to
satisfy our spiritual longings with
Novelty of our Making or with any created
Object or attraction.

Even when we know that our hunger
is for you alone, O God, we try to
keep our attachments to things and people.
We have sought you in ways that require
no sacrifice, and in covenants that protect
our powers. We want deep peace, ul-
timate satisfaction, and eternal salvation,
but we want it through relationships we
can shape and define.

Your word teaches us that you are a jeal-
ous God. Your law requires that there be no
Gods besides you. Your blessing is for the
pure in heart who will only one thing. Your
Law, our Lord, invites his disciples to leave
less things ~~behind~~ and follow him. It
is in yielding that we are satisfied. It is
in surrender that we are saved.