

Homeless Intercessions

These intercessions give thanks to God for our homes but explore some of the reasons why people may not have a home or that home is not a place of safety and security. We used this on Homelessness Sunday after inviting people to write their individual prayers onto post-it notes and to stick them on a large cardboard box.

These were also adapted to become Homecoming God for a service focusing on the theme of Home.

Homeless God,
We thank you for our homes,
For comfort and warmth
for our families and friends.

Homeless God,
We pray for those for whom home
Is an unfamiliar hostel bed
or a cardboard box under a bridge.

Homeless God,
We pray for those who have fled
Leaving homes behind in a hurry
For the uncertainty of a foreign land.

Homeless God,
We pray for those for whom home
Is not a place of safety and security
But a place of violence and fear.

Homeless God,
We pray for those whose homes
are not warm and comfortable
but damp or infested or falling apart.

Homeless God,
We pray for those whose homes are empty
Where a loved one is missed
And there is a hole which cannot be filled.

Homeless God

May our communities be a place of welcome

May our homes be a place of warmth and security

May our heads be a place of quiet understanding

May our hearts be a place where we are open to receive others.

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