Some Other Resurrections: A Responsive Reading

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One: Despair is sapping our spirits, damaging our souls, hurting our hearts. We need to be resurrected into hope, faith, and trust.

Many: Today, may we be resurrected.

One: Violence is shortening our lives and robbing us of our joy. We need to be resurrected into peace and its many blessings.

Many: Today, may we be resurrected.

One: Selfishness is tearing our social fabric, hiding us from one another, turning us inward. We need to be resurrected into generosity, compassion, and open-heartedness.

Many: Today, may we be resurrected.

One: Fear is pitting us against each other, stripping our delight, poisoning our relationships. We need to be resurrected into courage and connection.

Many: Today, may we be resurrected.

One: Injustice is devaluing and dehumanizing us all, punishing some terribly, frightening others deeply. We need to be resurrected into justice and healing.

Many: Today, may we be resurrected.

One: Hatred is breeding despair, violence, selfishness, fear, and injustice among us and among our children. We need to be resurrected into love.

Many: Today, may we be resurrected.

All: Amen.