



Dreaming God's Dream

NO GIFT TOO SMALL, NO DREAM TOO BIG.

“Dream God’s dream, Holy Spirit, help us dream of a world where there is justice and where everyone is free to build and grow and love and to simply have enough the world will change when we dream God’s dream.”

The Rev. Bryan Sirchio originally wrote “Dream God’s Dream” for a youth retreat in 1991. The life and work of the Rev. Martin Luther King inspired the lyrics. Bryan observes, “I wanted to remind the youth that Martin’s ‘dream’ was actually God’s dream. And that’s where this song really came from. The challenge of course is for us all to do what’s ours to do to make sure that the ‘Dream’ doesn’t just remain a dream. It needs to become reality, and the way that happens is in and through the lives of those who have been touched and energized and committed to the Spirit who give birth to the Dream in the first place.”

Artist Adrian Sanchez, currently incarcerated in a California Institution for Men, created the “Process of Life” (cover image) as part of an arts program funded by a local congregation. He reflects, “I believe that our young ones begin life with innocent hearts. I have learned that there are better ways to do things without violence. We artists were asked to image what a city of compassion would look like and how the people there could cooperate so that everyone would have enough food. The Process of Life shows that there is pride and hope in carrying out positive ways of thinking about things like this.”

Sanchez’ art reminds us of the power of dreams – that the chick can become the rooster, that the whisper of the Spirit can become a movement of transformation, that no gift is too small to help make God’s Dream a reality.

Prayerfully consider, “How can I cooperate with others to help make God’s Dream (and my dream too) a reality?”