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Take a moment to reflect on the photo.

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I held my breath as we do sometimes to stop time when something wonderful has touched us...

And that is just the point... how the world, moist and beautiful, calls to each of us to make a new and serious response. That's the big question, the one the world throws at you every morning. Here you are, alive. Would you like to make a comment?

— **Mary Oliver**

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Hear both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor

— **Pope Francis, *Laudato Si'***

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As Mary Oliver asks, Would you like to make a comment?

I'd love to hear from you as we near the end of this mini-retreat:

Any specific commitments that you'll carry forward? How might you live differently? How will you live out "Amen"?

You can [reach me here](#).

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