In John Petts’ window in Birmingham, Alabama, his black Jesus shows the two hands of nonviolence: one stopping oppression, the other reaching out in forgiveness and reconciliation.
Pour out upon us the power of your love, 
that we may protect life and beauty. 
Fill us with peace, that we may live 
as brothers and sisters, harming no one...

Bring healing to our lives 
that we may protect the world and 
not prey on it, 
that we may sow beauty, 
not pollution and destruction. 
Touch the hearts 
of those who look only for gain 
at the expense of the poor and the earth.

Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle 
for justice, love and peace.

(adapted from Laudato Si, Pope Francis, 2015)