

A Companion Litany to  
**Our Social Creed**

OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*Musical setting by Philip H. Carver*

**Bb**                    **F**                    **Eb**                    **Bb**  
God in the Spirit revealed in Jesus Christ  
          **Ebadd9** **Bb**                    **Db** **Ab**            **Eb**  
calls us by grace to be re - newed  
          **Bb**                                    **F**  
in the image of our Creator,  
          **Eb**                                    **Bb**  
that we may be one  
          **Db** **Ab**            **Eb**                    **Bb**  
in divine love for the world.

*Spoken:* Today is the day God  
          cares for the integrity of creation,  
          wills the healing and wholeness of all life,  
          weeps at the plunder of earth's goodness.

**Eb/F**                                    **Dm7** **Gm7**                                    **Cm7**  
And so shall we care for creation,  
**Eb/F**                                    **Dm7** **Gm7**                                    **Cm7**  
and so shall we will wholeness of all life,  
**Eb/F**                                    **Db**    **Db/Ab** **Ab**  
and so shall we weep at earth's plun - der,  
  **Eb** **Eb/F**    **Bb**  
and so shall we,                    and so shall we.

*Spoken:* Today is the day God  
          embraces all hues of humanity,  
          delights in diversity and difference,  
          favors solidarity  
          transforming strangers into friends.

**Eb/F**                                **Dm7 Gm7**                                **Cm7**  
 And so shall we                    embrace humanity,  
**Eb/F**                                **Dm7 Gm7**                                **Cm7**  
 and so shall we                    delight in difference,  
**Eb/F**                                **Db**    **Db/Ab Ab**  
 and so shall we transform strangers into friends,  
    **Eb Eb/F**    **Bb**  
 and so shall we,                    and so shall we.

*Spoken:* Today is the day God  
 cries at the masses of starving people,  
 despises growing disparity between rich and poor,  
 demands justice for workers in the marketplace.

**F/G**                                **Em7 Am7**                                **Dm7**  
 And so shall we                    cry that so many starve,  
**F/G**                                **Em7 Am7**                                **Dm7**  
 and so shall we                    despise disparity,  
**F/G**                                **Eb**    **Eb/Bb Bb**  
 and so shall we demand jus - tice,  
    **F F/G**    **C**  
 and so shall we,                    and so shall we.

*Spoken:* Today is the day God  
 deplores violence in our homes and streets,  
 rebukes the world's warring madness,  
 humbles the powerful and lifts up the lowly.

**F/G**                                **Em7 Am7**                                **Dm7**  
 And so shall we                    deplore violence,  
**F/G**                                **Em7 Am7**                                **Dm7**  
 and so shall we                    rebuke war's madness,  
**F/G**                                **Eb**    **Eb/Bb Bb**  
 and so shall we humble pow - er,  
    **F F/G**    **C**  
 and so shall we,                    and so shall we.

*Spoken:* Today is the day God  
 calls for nations and peoples to live in peace,  
 celebrates where justice and mercy embrace,  
 exults when the wolf grazes with the lamb.

**G/A**                    **F#m7**        **Bm7**            **Em7**  
 And so shall we call people to live in peace,  
**G/A**                    **F#m7**                    **Bm7**            **Em7**  
 and so shall we celebrate justice and mercy,  
**G/A**                    **F**                                    **F/C**        **C**  
 and so shall we exult the grazing wolf and lamb,  
                           **G**    **G/A**                                    **D**  
 and so shall we,            and so shall we.

**G/A**        **D**                    **A**  
 Today is the day God  
**G**                                    **D**  
 brings good news to the poor,  
           **Gadd9**        **D**                                    **F**    **C**    **G**  
 proclaims release to the cap - tives,  
                           **D**                                    **A**  
 gives sight to the blind  
           **G**                                    **D**  
 and sets the oppressed free.  
**F**    **C**    **G**                                    **D**  
 And so shall we.  
**F**    **C**    **G**                                    **Bb**    **C**  
 And so shall we.  
**Bb**            **C**                                    **D**  
 And so shall we.