

A Companion Litany to
Our Social Creed

OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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God in the Spirit revealed in Jesus Christ
calls us by grace to be renewed
in the image of our Creator,
that we may be one
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.

And so shall we care for creation,
and so shall we will wholeness of all life,
and so shall we weep at earth's plunder,
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.

And so shall we embrace humanity,
and so shall we delight in difference,
and so shall we transform strangers into friends,
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.

And so shall we cry that so many starve,
and so shall we despise disparity,
and so shall we demand justice,
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.

And so shall we deplore violence,
and so shall we rebuke war's madness,
and so shall we humble power,
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.

And so shall we call people to live in peace,
and so shall we celebrate justice and mercy,
and so shall we exult the grazing wolf and lamb,
and so shall we, and so shall we.

Today is the day God
brings good news to the poor,
proclaims release to the captives,
gives sight to the blind
and sets the oppressed free.
And so shall we.
And so shall we.
And so shall we.