

# UMCOR SUNDAY LITURGY



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**ON UMCOR SUNDAY, INCORPORATE THESE PRAYERS AS PART OF YOUR ORDER OF WORSHIP. THEY ARE BASED ON LECTIONARY TEXTS FOR THE 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT IN YEAR A (EPHESIANS 5:8-14 AND JOHN 9:1-41) AND CAN BE ADAPTED FOR WHICHEVER SUNDAY YOUR CHURCH CELEBRATES UMCOR SUNDAY.**

## **INVOCATION**

Holy healing God,  
who shines extravagant grace into our lives,  
thank you for sending Jesus to show us how to shine  
extravagant grace into the lives of our neighbors through  
ministries like the United Methodist Committee on Relief.

As we worship and praise you today,  
move us to live in ways that shine brightly with your  
extravagant grace,  
illuminating all that is good and right and true.

## **CALL TO WORSHIP:**

One: Sleeper, awake! Open your eyes to the suffering  
in God's world.

**All: Christ, shine on us.**

**Awaken us to the needs of your people.**

One: Sleeper, awake! Open your ears to the cries of  
God's people.

**All: Christ, shine on us.**

**Awaken us to the transformational power found  
through you.**

One: Sleeper, awake! Open your heart to respond with  
a generous spirit.

**All: Christ, shine on us.**

**Awaken us to celebrate your extravagant grace.**

## **OFFERING DEDICATION**

Gracious God,  
Receive these gifts with thanksgiving  
Bless them and multiply them

to relieve the suffering of your people,  
to train and equip UMCOR staff and volunteers,  
to create wholeness instead of brokenness. Amen.

## **BENEDICTION**

Go into the world and shine with God's  
extravagant grace.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, expose the systems  
that contribute to suffering.

And in the name of Jesus, illuminate all that  
is good and right and true.



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