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On World Communion Sunday, you are invited to incorporate these prayers as part of your order of worship. The liturgy is designed to stand alone or to coordinate with the World Communion Sunday sermon starter, offering talk and children's material.

INVOCATION

God of dreams and visions,
Open us to your Word today.
Give us a spirit of generosity to equip your
children around the world
with tools to build up peace, justice and
righteousness.
As we receive your holy meal,
fill us with the energy of a runner,
ready to share your vision of love and grace.
We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Habakkuk 2:1-4 and Psalm 37:1-9
Consider inviting each person who reads "one
voice" to present a different type of bread,
placing it on the Communion Table while making
the statement indicated.

Leader: God declared to
the prophet Habakkuk
"there is still a vision
for the appointed time"
(Habakkuk 2:3, NRSV).

Today we gather in this time and place to
praise God, celebrate Holy Communion with
Christians around the world and receive a
special offering for young leaders.

One Voice: We come today trusting in God.

One Voice: We come today delighting in God.

**One Voice: We come today committing to the
way of God.**

**All: We come today ready to worship in the
fullness of God's community.**

**We come today ready to build up peace, justice
and righteousness.**



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HOLY COMMUNION

Consider incorporating this Great Thanksgiving Liturgy from the General Commission on Religion and Race:

<https://www.r2hub.org/library/great-thanksgiving-communion-liturgy-celebrating-cultural-diversity>.

OFFERING

In the Great Thanksgiving, we declare, "In remembrance of . . . your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise

and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us." Holy God, we as we present our offerings to you today, we pray that you will join them with the gifts of other United Methodist churches. Bless and multiply them to partner with vision bearers and dream casters through the World Communion Sunday scholarships and training opportunities. Give these young leaders strength and wisdom to share Christ's grace and love throughout your world. Amen.

BENEDICTION

Beloved church family,
God's message is clearly before us.
Go into the world filled with the Holy Spirit
as dream casters and vision bearers.
Be an agent of transformation in the
world with Christ's love.

