## **UMCOR Sunday Litany**

**Leader:** We praise you, O God, redeemer and deliverer. Ignite within us a spirit of love and generosity today as we celebrate UMCOR Sunday and the ministry of the United Methodist Committee on Relief.

People: We give thanks, O God, for your provision in our lives. We confess those moments that we hold too tightly to our blessings, and we recognize that all we have is a gift from you.

**Leader:** Grant us courage to hear the cries of those who struggle to put food on the table. Grant us confidence in your provision that we may hear your voice calling us to feed the hungry and to shelter the homeless.

People: Almighty God, we have faith that there is enough when we trust in you to provide. We hear the voices of the hungry and the displaced. We commit today to put our faith into action.

**Leader:** Grant us compassion, O God, when we learn of those in the midst of crisis – with little access to clean water, whose path forward seems unsettled, unfamiliar and insecure.

People: Clothe us with compassion, that we may give drink to the thirsty and offer hope of the living water in the midst of seemingly hopeless situations.

**Leader:** Grant us kindness, O God, when we learn of those who are displaced, persecuted and abandoned. Grant us love when we cross paths with those who are wandering, alone and homeless.

People: Fill us with love. Clothe us in kindness. Show us how to welcome the strangers in our hearts, our faith community, our neighborhood and our world.

**Leader:** Ignite within us a passion to be vehicles of love, compassion and kindness that we may shine your light into the darkest moments of crisis and disaster.

People: Remind us, O God, of who we are. Remind us to share our light with the world.

All: Today we stand united in love, generosity, compassion and kindness. As the body of Christ, may we put our faith into action as we offer hope and light to a broken, dark world. Amen.