**Traditional Music Suggestions**

Charles Wesley Hymns

* UMH 438 “Forth in Thy Name, O Lord
* Keywords: daily labor, all I think or speak or do, all my works, labor on at thy command.
* UMH 501 “O Thou Who Camest from Above”
* The key line is “Jesus, confirm my heart’s desire/ to work and speak and think for thee.”
* UMH 121 “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”
* Keywords: the love of God is broader, love were but more simple.

**Contemporary Music Suggestions**

"Act Justly, Walk Humbly, Love Mercy" - Pat Barrett

"All The Poor and Powerless" - All Sons and Daughters

"Called Me Higher" - All Sons and Daughters

"Say So" - Israel Houghton + New Breed

"They Will Know We Are Christians" - Dan Haseltine (Redemption Songs)

"The Lord's Prayer (It's Yours)" - Matt Maher

"Follow You Anywhere" - Kristian Stanfill, Passion Worship

**Prayers and Liturgies**

**Opening Prayer**

*(Note: If this resource is to be printed, then this prayer will need to be replaced.)*

New every morning is your love, great God of light,

and all day long you are working for good in the world.

Stir up in us the desire to serve you, to live peacefully with our neighbors,

and to devote each day to your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Presbyterian Worshipbook

**The New Zealand Anglican Lord’s Prayer**

*(Note: To be used with attribution.)*

Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,

Source of all that is and that shall be,

Father and Mother of us all,

Loving God, in whom is heaven:

The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!

The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!

Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!

Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us.

In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.

In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.

From trials too great to endure, spare us.

From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever. Amen.

A New Zealand Prayer Book – He Karakia Mihinare o Aotearoa

**The Lord’s Prayer (Matthew 6:9-13, First Nations Version)**

O Great Spirit, our Father from above,

we honor your name as sacred and holy.

Bring your good road to us,

where the beauty of your ways in the spirit-world above

is reflected in the earth below.

Provide for us day by day--

the elk, the buffalo, and the salmon.

The corn, the squash, and the wild rice.

All the things we need for each day.

Release us from the things we have done wrong,

in the same way we release others for the things done wrong to us.

Guide us away from the things that tempt us to stray from your good road,

and set us free from the evil one and his worthless ways.

Aho! May it be so!

An Indigenous Translation of the New Testament

**A Companion Litany to Our Social Creed**

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.**

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.**

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.**

Today is the day

God cries with the masses of starving people,

   despises growing disparity between rich and poor,

   demands justice for workers in the marketplace.

**And so shall we.**

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.**

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.**

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.**

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**Benediction & Sending Forth:**

People of God,

who long for the reign of Christ,

a kingdom of truth, of love, of peace, of justice.

We are called not to be bystanders,

but heralds of this kingdom.

And so, we pray:

Almighty God, endow us with your Holy Spirit,

enrich us with your heavenly grace,

and strengthen us for the tasks which lie ahead;

that all our works,

beginning, continuing, and ending in you,

may glorify your holy name,

and advance your blessed work;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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