

## A Prayer for World Food Day

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Holy God,

You come to us in Jesus, the Bread of Life.

You promise us that to feast is to know your presence and to grow in community.

You teach us to pray for daily bread.

You call us to hunger for justice and peace.

We pray for a world where everyone lives in peace, where no one is hungry, no one needs to flee their home, and no one is denied their rights.

We pray for the equitable distribution of food, for generosity, and for cooperation in managing food systems.

Give us courage, wisdom, and love to challenge the root causes of injustice and poverty.

We give you thanks for the gift of food, the wonder of flavour, the ongoing opportunities to feed each other, and the call to humbly trust in your grace.

Make yourself known to us in the breaking of the bread.

Inspire us to pray that everyone will receive their daily bread.

Lead us to walk in your ways.

Fill us with your Spirit of Love.

In Jesus name we pray, Amen.