

A Prayer for Times of Crisis

God of compassion,

When disaster strikes and lives are turned upside down,
be near to those who are afraid, grieving or uncertain.

Bring calm in the chaos.

Bring light in the darkness.

Bring strength for the days ahead.

We pray for those who have lost homes, livelihoods or loved ones.

We pray for those who are working to help and respond.

And we pray for communities beginning the long road to recovery.

Prepare us, O God, to do good and share what we have—
ready to respond with care and compassion when it is needed most.

In Christ's name,

Amen.



Emergency Response Offering Invitation

We do not always know when disaster will come—but we can be ready.

Through the CWS Emergency Response Fund, our gifts become part of a shared response—supporting communities in the moments that matter most and in the long recovery that follows.

Today, we have an opportunity to do good and share what we have.

Let us give generously.



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Do Good. Share What You Have.

Emergency Response Offering Litany

Leader: We gather as people of God, called to love and to serve.

People: God, open our hearts to your presence.

Leader: In times of joy and in times of need, you are with us.

People: God, open our eyes to see you at work.

Leader: When neighbors face difficult times, you call us to respond.

People: God, open our hands to share what we have.

Leader: When the world feels uncertain, you remain faithful.

People: God, open our spirits to trust in you.

Leader: You have given us enough—enough to share, enough to care.

People: God, help us to live with generosity and hope.

Leader: Bless the gifts we bring and the lives they will touch.

People: May they bring comfort, strength and new beginnings.

Leader: Send us out to love our neighbors as ourselves.

People: With God's help, we will do good and share what we have.

All: Amen.



Emergency Response Scripture Reading

"And don't forget to do good and share what you have." — HEBREWS 13:16

A Call to Share

Leader: God has given us more than enough—

People: We will share what we have with others.

Leader: When we give, hope begins to grow—

People: And love reaches those in need.

Leader: Do not forget to do good and to share with others—

People: For these are gifts that bring joy to God.

Leader: Freely we have received—

People: Freely we give.

Leader: As we share, God multiplies our gifts—

People: So that all may have enough.

All: With grateful hearts, we offer what we have. Amen.

