

A Litany for Labor Day

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**Bless the works of our hands, hearts, and minds.**

You called fishermen and tax collectors to follow you. Help us to see you in our daily work.

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You cared for the poor and oppressed. Help us to work for justice for all who are employed and all who need work.

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When you were tired, you still fed and healed those who needed you.

Give us strength to help those who need our labor.

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Creator God, you are the source of wisdom and purpose. We ask your blessing upon all that we do, that our work may be a blessing to the world. **Amen.**

*You are invited to come forward for the blessing of your hands as the symbol of your labor. If you wish anointing with oil, open your hands, palms up. If not, please keep your hands folded.*

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