



**MMHS 70th Anniversary  
Worship Resources**

**A Blessing Liturgy**

# **A blessing liturgy for the home to celebrate 70 years of the Methodist Ministers' Housing Society**



## **Call to Worship**

*Leader*

We give this time to You and we invite You to fill this space  
with Your presence,

**All**

**Jesus teach us how to love,  
How to live in Your presence.**

**Jesus teach us how to live,  
How to pray in Your will.**

**Jesus teach us how to pray,  
How to rest in Your embrace.**

**Jesus teach us how to rest,  
How to be in Your world.**

**Jesus teach us how to be,  
How to love in Your way.**

*Leader* As we breathe in...

**All We give thanks for this day and the space we inhabit.**

*Leader* As we breathe out...

**All We place into Your hands the things we do and the  
places we visit.**

*Leader* As we breathe in...

**All We ask for Your blessing on those who love You and the  
places where they live.**

*Leader* As we breathe out...

**All We pray for Your blessing on those who don't know You,  
may they meet You in the place where they are.**

**All**

**Let our eyes see as You see,  
with compassion and love for others.  
Let our ears hear as You hear,  
with a soft heart and love for others.  
Let our feet dare to walk,  
with Your purpose for this world.  
Let our hands ache to work,  
with Your direction in this world.**

*Leader (Optional)*

Loving God, You care for us as a parent cares for a child.  
You never weary of us but Your arms hold us close  
and You inspire us to serve You and our fellows.

As we celebrate the work of the Methodist Ministers' Housing  
Society we give You thanks for its being and its continued caring.

Help us to care for those in need, let our arms hold them in love  
and inspire us to meet the challenge of caring in our daily lives.

## **BLESSING FOR A HOME**

(can be said by Leader or Dweller ideally by the main doorway)

Bless all who enter through this door,  
Whether family, stranger or friend,  
If any don't yet know You,  
Let them find You inside.

Bless all who enter through this door,  
Whether they care for me or not,  
If You will give me the grace,  
Let them find love inside.

Bless all who leave through this door,  
May they carry Your peace as they go.  
Protect them as they depart,  
Protect me when I leave.  
And protect my home,  
Until I return.



**All**

**May each moment in this place be filled with light,  
May each challenge be met with grace,  
May each choice follow Your will,  
And may we sense Your wondrous presence in all things...**

**BLESSING**

*Leader*

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face to shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord look on you with kindness and give you peace.

**All** In the name of our Creator God,  
our Saviour Jesus  
and our Holy Companion, The Spirit.

**Amen**



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