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THANK YOU FOR JOINING US

ON OUR SHARED PLANET, over 1.6 billion people do not know if they will have enough to eat. And the number of people living with food insecurity keeps rising due to the effects of COVID-19, the conflict in Ukraine, and rising inflation. As the aftershocks of all these challenges continue to reverberate, we see the cause for ending poverty has been set back more than three decades.

World Renew has the plans, the systems, the partners, and the people to help change this story. But outside of God's grace and your generosity, we can do nothing. We've learned that God often chooses to satisfy the hunger of those experiencing poverty through our shared efforts. When we participate in God's calling to care for those experiencing hunger, we see time and again that God's infinite good is enough for every ache and every need.

Your choice to participate in World Hunger 2022 speaks to your community's commitment to these beliefs too. Let's glorify God together by ensuring a seat for all children at His table.

As we partner in this work together, World Renew is offering a range of resources in both print and digital formats to serve the Body of Christ, both those gathered physically and those continuing to worship online. These resources, free of charge, can all be found online at worldrenew.net/WorldHungerChurches or worldrenew.ca/WorldHungerChurches.

- devotional booklets
- bulletin inserts
- videos
- information slides
- social media graphics
- "Going deeper" activities for kids and families
- Dinner for Good participant packet

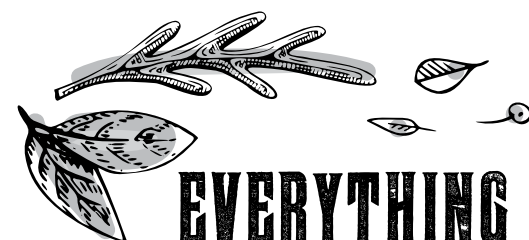
In this Leaders Guide, you will find:

- *Facts on World Hunger: Addressing Poverty Means Addressing Food Security*
- a detailed Action Plan for organizers of your campaign, as well as creative campaign ideas
- prepared bulletin/email announcements
- song suggestions and a Litany for World Hunger Sunday

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All World Hunger Campaign materials are available free of charge. Please call 1-800-333-8300 to order adult devotional books, printed bulletin covers, and of course the ICONIC Peter Fish! In addition, all resources are available in a digital format:

US: worldrenew.net/WorldHungerChurches
CAN: worldrenew.ca/WorldHungerChurches



A PETER FISH? WHAT'S THAT?

If you're new to World Renew or World Hunger Sunday, welcome and good question!

Peter Fish are the bright orange plastic banks that have been part of our World Hunger Campaign for over 20 years. We like using a fish because, when it comes to changing the story of hunger, we're all about "teaching people to fish," empowering them to provide nutritious and sustainable food for their families for years to come.

Peter Fish are an integral part of kids' experience with the campaign so make sure you have as many fish as your children's ministry requires.

FUN FACT: in the Sea of Galilee there actually is a tilapia fish that locals call St. Peter's Fish, after the story in Matthew 17 when Jesus tells Peter to catch a fish in order to pay the temple tax. Not sure it's orange though...



FACTS ON WORLD HUNGER: ADDRESSING POVERTY MEANS ADDRESSING FOOD SECURITY

AS THE WORLD IS STILL REELING FROM COVID-19, and the conflict in Ukraine is causing considerable disruption to the food supply chain, **over 1.6 billion people** are facing profound food insecurity. **That is over 1.6 billion people hungry today and still hungry tomorrow.**

Individuals and communities suffer the consequences as health and human potential starve. Globally, an estimated 45 million children under five years of age suffer from wasting, resulting in dangerously low body weight. Children who survive malnutrition often suffer permanent impairment of their physical and intellectual development, robbing them and their communities of their fullest contributions.

Addressing world hunger requires more than a meal. Responding to this human suffering means securing regular access to safe, nutritious, and sufficient food. **For World Renew, that is what it means to hunger for good: tireless action to achieve food security for all.**

Food security requires responses to complicated factors like climate crisis, disaster, violence, economic injustice, and access to healthcare and education. **World Renew understands those factors and knows how to address them.**

We have the people, the partners, the plans, and the systems necessary for investing in food resources for today, tomorrow, and the tomorrows after that. We help families grow their food sustainably and save their resources to face future crises, such as weather-related disasters and violence that often rob them of food and housing altogether.

We also serve a God who loves those experiencing poverty and hunger with a mighty love.

Your participation in this year's World Hunger campaign strengthens our multi-pronged, sustainable, family-centered approach to addressing the challenges that keep over 1.6 billion people around the world hungry today.

Because God's table is a table of plenty. And He's asked us to do our part in pursuing justice and bringing food to every table.

ACTION PLAN FOR ORGANIZERS WHO ARE GATHERING PHYSICALLY

Thank you for stepping up to organize your congregation's World Hunger campaign.

These are the steps you can take to ensure a smooth roll-out and execution for those who are gathering in-person.

That being said, we encourage you to take a look at the Action Plan for Churches Gathering Digitally as well, particularly to ensure that members of your community who are worshiping at home continue to feel well-integrated in the life and rhythms of your church.

TIP FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS:
You can print out our World Hunger Children's Message Script for your teaching on World Hunger Sunday, along with copies of the World Hunger Children's Activity. Download and print from WorldRenew.net/WorldHungerChurches or WorldRenew.ca/WorldHungerChurches

TIME FRAME	ACTION PLAN
SIX TO EIGHT WEEKS BEFORE OFFERING	<ul style="list-style-type: none">As you kick off your ministry year, consider encouraging small group leaders to use the devotional content for their first 6 weeks of gathering. These booklets not only shine a light on causes of hunger, but also engage themes like faith, doubt, belonging, and justice in our everyday world. In addition, check out the other resources available for churches at worldrenew.net/WorldHungerChurches (US) and worldrenew.ca/WorldHungerChurches (CAN)
THREE WEEKS BEFORE OFFERING	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Make a verbal announcement in church that the World Hunger campaign is starting in three weeks and let people know that devotionals and Peter Fish will be available.Use bulletin announcement #1 (provided in this Leaders Guide).
TWO WEEKS BEFORE OFFERING	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Make a verbal announcement in church that the World Hunger campaign is starting and print bulletin announcement #2.Distribute devotional books and Peter Fish.Consider a special coffee fellowship after the service (see Creative Campaign Ideas in this guide). If you're using any campaign display or decoration, make sure it's up and ready for this day (again, see Creative Campaign Ideas section of this guide).
ONE WEEK BEFORE OFFERING	<ul style="list-style-type: none">This is a good Sunday to have a sermon on World Hunger (Sermon Notes are available online at www.worldrenew.net/WorldHungerChurches or worldrenew.ca/WorldHungerChurches).Make sure to download the World Hunger video online to play in anticipation of next week's offering.Print bulletin announcement #3 and make a verbal announcement that next week is World Hunger Sunday and a collection will be taken—bring in your Peter Fish!
WORLD HUNGER SUNDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Hold an offering for World Renew during your collection and collect Peter Fish during an appropriate time for children. Make sure to download the World Hunger video online to play during the offering.Consider using litany and song suggestions provided in this Leaders Guide.World Renew has created a children's message for you to use today to connect with younger members of your congregation. You can download the video or text at worldrenew.net/WorldHungerChurches or worldrenew.ca/WorldHungerChurches.Use bulletin announcement #4.Consider asking your youth group to take responsibility for counting and rolling the Peter Fish offering after the service or during their weekly meeting.
ONE WEEK LATER	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Forward last week's collection to World Renew.Use bulletin announcement #5 to celebrate collection results with your congregation and consider a verbal thank you to your congregation during announcement time.

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PREPARED BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR PHYSICAL GATHERINGS

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT #1

This year, conflict, drought, and the effects of COVID-19 has intensified the global hunger crisis. In three weeks, we will be observing World Hunger Sunday and taking a collection on behalf of World Renew’s work with our hungry brothers and sisters worldwide. Consider joining our community by picking up a **Peter Fish bank for the young ones in your life and a devotional booklet on what it means to hunger for good.** Materials will be distributed next Sunday.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT #2

Over 1.6 billion people around the world are hungry. In two weeks, we’ll be observing World Hunger Sunday. God promises in Scripture to fill the hungry with good things and invites us to join in that holy work. **Pick up your World Hunger Campaign devotionals today** and spend some time thinking about what it means to hunger for good in our lives, our communities, and around the world. If you have children in your household, make sure to go online and download some special activities just for them at worldrenew.net/WorldHungerChurches or worldrenew.ca/WorldHungerChurches.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT #3

Have you signed up to host a Dinner for Good? Not sure what we are talking about? It’s not too late to pick up a World Hunger devotional to learn more. **We’ll also take a collection next week** that will go directly to World Renew’s work with people like the ones you’ve met during your devotion time. Join us in the hunger for good!

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT #4

Today we are having an offering to support the work of World Renew and help put food on tables around the world. World Renew has the plans, the systems, the partners, and the people to come alongside communities experiencing hunger. We are excited to join this program as a faithful response to the God who can accomplish abundantly more than all we ask or imagine. **Thank you for giving as you are able to help solve World Hunger.**

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT #5

God has filled the hungry with good things! Thank you to everyone who brought in a Peter Fish or made a donation to last week’s World Hunger Sunday collection. Our church alone raised [put in your \$ amount] for World Renew’s sustainable approach to tackling the problem of world hunger. Together, we are coming alongside families so they can put food on their tables.

CREATIVE CAMPAIGN IDEAS FOR PHYSICAL GATHERINGS

Engaging your congregation on the topic of world hunger can be as simple as a few announcements and distribution of devotionals.

But, if you want to **make more of the two weeks leading up to World Hunger Sunday**, try some of these ideas for both the young and young-at-heart.

ENCOURAGE ENGAGEMENT

A visual display in a high-traffic area always catches people’s attention. Because much of the devotional content talked about individuals being empowered to give back to their community, **highlighting that community collaboration might be a poignant experience for the congregation.** Set aside a wall in your sanctuary or fellowship area with a large ream of butcher or craft paper that says “Where can you grow good in the community?” Make sure to have colorful pens/markers nearby for people to use. Then, during your first World Hunger announcement, encourage members young and old to visit the wall and add a phrase that is personal to them, like one of these examples:

- Help a neighbor change their oil.
- Cook a casserole for a family in need.
- Donate winter coats to a homeless shelter.
- Volunteer as an elementary school mentor.
- Give a kitchen garden kit through World Renew to help a family around the world grow food!

If you have a bay of windows in your space, you can do the same thing with window markers. Watch the messages build over the next couple of weeks leading up to World Hunger Sunday.

JUST FOR KIDS

If you have a large fish bowl, consider installing it on the sanctuary table alongside the offering plates. On week #1, you can have 1 orange fish swimming in it, on week #2 a few more, and on week #3 have a school of fish. Or just fill it with Peter Fish!

SET THE SCENE

For a simpler but still visually impactful campaign reminder, **try stretching a fish net across a prominent church wall** and inserting a few Peter Fish in it (faux nets are inexpensive and easily found online, but ask around your congregation first — anglers abound!). A simple banner with the words “He Fills the Hungry With Good Things!” will do the trick.

MARK THE MOMENT

Start your campaign by distributing devotionals and Peter Fish during **coffee hour along with a special treat.** Children’s clubs and youth groups can help by doing some baking ahead of time and serving during coffee hour. Consider small cups of orange goldfish crackers for a less time-consuming, Peter Fish-themed tie-in.

MAKE A LITTLE MORE

If you’re passing an offering plate on World Hunger Sunday (some people don’t take home banks or forget to bring them back so it’s a good back up plan), don’t pass it empty! **Put a Peter Fish in it** to remind people what the collection is for!

Ask your youth group to consider a **simple fundraiser** for the campaign. If Peter Fish banks are the focus for your congregation, why not sell fish-shaped cookies or mini-bags of Swedish fish candy? Kids can attach hand-written labels that say “Thank You! You’re helping put food on every table!”



ACTION PLAN FOR ORGANIZERS WHO ARE GATHERING DIGITALLY

Thank you for stepping up to organize your congregation’s World Hunger campaign. You’ve got this. And we’ve got you. In order to fully involve those who gather virtually,

we’ve designed this digital rollout to help you have a successful World Hunger Sunday. Just follow the schedule below for a smooth roll-out and execution.

TIME FRAME	ACTION PLAN
SIX TO EIGHT WEEKS BEFORE OFFERING	<ul style="list-style-type: none">As you kick off your ministry year, consider encouraging small group leaders to use the devotional content for their first 6 weeks of gathering. These booklets not only shine a light on causes of hunger, but also engage themes like faith, doubt, belonging, and justice in our everyday world. In addition, check out the other resources available for churches at worldrenew.net/WorldHungerChurches (US) and worldrenew.ca/WorldHungerChurches (CAN).
THREE WEEKS BEFORE OFFERING	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Make a social announcement on your digital channels (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and also email) that World Hunger Sunday is in three weeks, and point people to worldrenew.ca/WorldHungerChurches (CAN) or worldrenew.net/WorldHungerChurches (US) to learn more with devotionals, family activities, and videos. Use digital announcement #1 as your inspiration (text provided in this Leaders Guide and graphic options provided at worldrenew.net/WorldHungerChurches).
TWO WEEKS BEFORE OFFERING	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Make a social announcement on your digital channels (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and also email) that World Hunger Sunday is in two weeks and point people to worldrenew.ca/WorldHungerChurches (CAN) or worldrenew.net/WorldHungerChurches (US) to learn more with devotionals, family activities, and videos. Use digital announcement #2 as your inspiration.Remind your church members to download and start their devotional materials. Families can go online for additional kids activities that engage the topic of global hunger. (CAN: worldrenew.ca/WorldHungerChurches and US: worldrenew.net/WorldHungerChurches).
ONE WEEK BEFORE OFFERING	<ul style="list-style-type: none">This is a good Sunday to have a sermon on World Hunger (Sermon Notes are available online at www.worldrenew.net/WorldHungerChurches).Publish digital announcement #3 and make a verbal announcement in your livestream that next week is World Hunger Sunday and collection will be taken online. Include a link to worldrenew.ca/WorldHunger (CAN) or worldrenew.net/WorldHunger (US) in the livestream comments.
WORLD HUNGER SUNDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Take a collection for World Renew during your livestream. You can collect funds through your regular digital giving option or invite people to give directly to World Renew at worldrenew.ca/WorldHunger (CAN) or worldrenew.net/WorldHunger (US). Don’t forget to download and incorporate the World Hunger offering video into your livestream. You are also free to post it to your website and social media separately for people to view.Consider using litany and song suggestions provided in this Leaders Guide during your livestream.Check out World Renew’s children’s message today. Your pastor or children’s leader can share a special children’s message during a livestream of your service. The sermon is available for download at worldrenew.net/WorldHungerChurchesPublish digital announcement #4.
ONE WEEK LATER	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Use digital announcement #5 to thank your congregation and don’t forget to verbally thank them as well during the service livestream.

TIP FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS:
If you engage with your church’s children online, you can use our World Hunger Children’s Message for your teaching on World Hunger Sunday, along with the Children’s Activity. Download and share them at [WorldRenew.net/WorldHungerChurches](#) or [WorldRenew.ca/WorldHungerChurches](#).

PREPARED BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR DIGITAL GATHERINGS

DIGITAL ANNOUNCEMENT #1

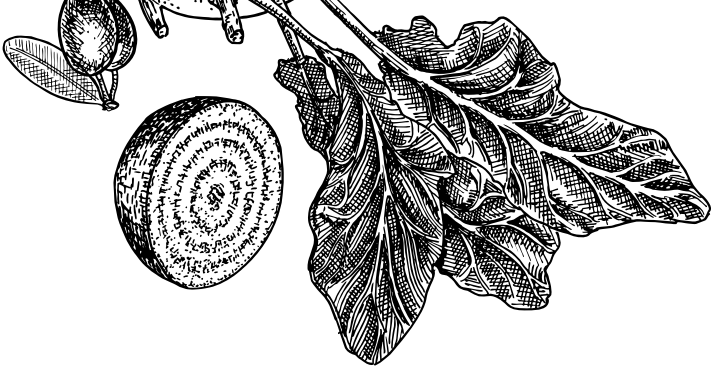
This year, conflict, drought, and the effects of COVID-19 have intensified the global hunger crisis. In three weeks, we will be observing World Hunger Sunday and taking a collection on behalf of World Renew’s work with our hungry brothers and sisters worldwide. Visit **worldrenew.ca/WorldHungerChurches (CAN)** or **worldrenew.net/WorldHungerChurches (US)** to access devotionals for adults and kids, videos, family activities, and more as we learn about our part in responding to World Hunger.

DIGITAL ANNOUNCEMENT #2

Over 1.6 billion people around the world are hungry. In two weeks, we’ll be observing World Hunger Sunday. God promises in Scripture to fill the hungry with good things and invites us to join in that holy work. Download your World Hunger Campaign devotional today and learn about what it means to hunger for good in our lives, our communities, and around the world. If you have children in your household, make sure to go online and download some special activities just for them on World Renew’s site so they too can better understand the impact of and solutions for ending global hunger.

DIGITAL ANNOUNCEMENT #3

Have you signed up to host a Dinner for Good? Not sure what we are talking about? It’s not too late to download a World Hunger Sunday devotional and find out. If you’re looking for a way to engage hunger with your family, we also have children’s activities at worldrenew.ca/



WorldHungerChurches (CAN) or worldrenew.net/WorldHungerChurches (US). **We’ll take a collection next week** that will go directly to World Renew’s work with families like the ones you’ve met during your devotion time.

DIGITAL ANNOUNCEMENT #4

Today we are having an offering to support the work of World Renew and help put food on tables around the world. World Renew has the plans, the systems, the partners, and the people to come alongside communities experiencing hunger. We are excited to join this program as a faithful response to the God who can accomplish abundantly more than all we ask or imagine. **Thank you for giving as you are able to help solve World Hunger. Please give now at worldrenew.ca/WorldHunger (CAN) or worldrenew.net/WorldHunger (US).**

DIGITAL ANNOUNCEMENT #5

Thank you to everyone who made a donation to last week’s World Hunger Sunday collection. Together we helped support World Renew’s sustainable approach to tackling the problem of world hunger: coming alongside families so they can put food on their tables. You play such a vital role in that story, and we are grateful!



CREATIVE CAMPAIGN IDEAS FOR DIGITAL GATHERINGS

Engaging your congregation on the topic of world hunger can be as simple as a few announcements and distribution of devotionals.

But, if you want to **make more of the two weeks leading up to World Hunger Sunday**, try some of these ideas for both the young and young-at-heart.

ENCOURAGE ENGAGEMENT

At the start of World Hunger, invite your congregation to consider asking themselves where they can grow good in their community. If members of the congregation choose, they can then snap a picture holding up a sign with their answer and email it to the email address you provide. You may want to create a few example photos featuring lines like “Help a neighbor change their oil. Cook a casserole for a family in need. Donate winter coats to a homeless shelter. Volunteer as an elementary school mentor. Give a kitchen garden kit through World Renew to help a family around the world grow food!” Share a different image each week (or maybe even each day) on your Facebook page to highlight your congregation’s beliefs about justice. Then, encourage your congregation to talk about the experience together. You can share your pictures with World Renew by using the hashtag #WorldHunger2022.

SET THE SCENE

When you shift the design of the banner images on social media and your church’s website, it makes an impression on your community: insighting curiosity, signaling significance, and creating buzz. Feel free to use the resources available at worldrenew.ca/WorldHungerChurches (CAN) or worldrenew.net/WorldHungerChurches (US) to help.

MARK THE MOMENT

Host a digital coffee hour on your church’s preferred video conferencing platform to discuss World Hunger and what is stirring in the hearts and minds of your congregation. You can even contact World Renew to have a member of our Church and Community Engagement team (CAN) or Donor Relations team (US) attend and share more about the overall impact of World Hunger and what small acts like giving and prayer do to make a big difference.

MAKE A LITTLE MORE

If you’re looking to really encourage giving, consider inviting a member of your congregation to create a brief video on their phone explaining why they give to support World Hunger. You can then post the video to social media through Facebook Live and share it over email. Often, we all feel encouraged to give when we see someone we know leading the way!



LITANY FOR WORLD HUNGER SUNDAY

Reader 1: Oh God, what love you have lavished on us that we can call ourselves your children. (*1 John 3:1*)

Reader 2: You have made us good, and you have invited us to join You in Your good work. (*Genesis 1*)

People: Today, may we listen to Your words. May we come to deeply understand Your heart for justice, and may we cultivate justice in the world around us. (Matthew 13)

Reader 1: Jesus has taught us to offer living water to the thirsty. (*John 4*)

Reader 2: Jesus has shown us how to fill the hungry with good things. (*Luke 1*)

People: We long to follow in the way of Jesus, doing Your will and accomplishing Your work. We long to faithfully carry one another’s burdens. (John 4:34)

Reader 1: Lord, we know the suffering of the world matters to You. From empty bellies to the evils of racism, Your heart aches for those who experience ongoing harm and need. The Psalmist says You collect each tear in a bottle and record it in Your book. (*Psalms 56*)

People: Oh, holy mystery!

Reader 2: You also remind us that You are the God of restoration, bringing healing to the oppressed and forgotten. Your righteousness will shine upon all who fear your name. (*Malachi 4*)

People: We praise you in spirit and truth.

Reader 1: Loving God, we will stand on these promises as a rock. Let Your love flow through us and do immeasurably more than we can even ask or imagine. (*Ephesians 3: 20-21*)

Reader 2: Let us share Your love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. Let us not withhold good when it is in our power to act. (*1 John 3:18, Proverbs 3:27*)

People: And to You, God of plenty, be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever! Amen. (Ephesians 3:21)

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SONG SUGGESTIONS

You can listen to all of these songs with the [World Hunger Playlist on Spotify](#).

All the Poor and Powerless (All Sons & Daughters)
All Who are Thirsty (Brenton Brown)
As We Gather At Your Table (Carl P.)
Come to the Table (Sidewalk Prophets)
Emptiness (Will Reagan)
Holy Spirit You are Welcome (Bryan and Katie Torwalt)
Hosanna (Brenton Brown and Paul Baloche)
Hungry (Kathryn Scott)
Let Justice Roll (Dustin Smith)
Mayenziwe 'ntando yakho / Your Will Be Done on Earth, Lord (John Bell)
Take My Life and Let It Be (Frances Ridley Havergal)
The Table (Chris Tomlin)
Trinity Song (Sandra McCracken)
We Will Feast in the House of Zion (Sandra McCracken)

SERMON & OFFERING RESOURCES

Don't forget, there are even more resources available for download at [worldrenew.net/WorldHungerChurches](#) (US) and [worldrenew.ca/WorldHungerChurches](#) (CAN)

LOOKING FOR ANOTHER CREATIVE WAY TO ENGAGE WITH THE ISSUE OF WORLD HUNGER?

Consider inviting members of your church to join World Renew by hosting a Dinner for Good at their family table during the month of October. Learn more at [worldrenew.net/DinnerForGood](#) or [worldrenew.ca/DinnerForGood](#)

