Litany: A Call for Solidarity in Prayer, Courage, Resources

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People: You are in the ease of the wind and the calming of the storm.

Leader: God, you are not the terror that strikes our hearts.

People: You are in the hearts of those who respond to help, to search and rescue.

Leader: God, you are not destruction and hardship.

People: You are working in those who bring healing and hope.

Leader: God, you are not the storm.

People: You are the one speaking peace—be still!

Leader: God, you are the creator of the Earth and heavens.

People: You are the God of renewal and re-creation.

Leader: God, you are the molder and maker of our hearts.

People: You are the one who gives us courage and strength. *Leader:* God, you are calling to us to help, however we can.

People: For we are your hands, feet and hearts in this world.

Leader: May we listen for your voice; may we see the work you are doing.

People: And may we join in solidarity with Puerto Rico and all your children affected by Hurricane Maria, and in all places suffering after

storms and earthquakes.

Leader: Guide us in the work of repairing and rebuilding.

People: Guide our hearts to love, our bodies to help, and our minds to share

our resources.

All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

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