Sharing Seeds of Solidarity and Communion

As we gather to celebrate communion today we know that we are not only gathering at the table with our congregation but with our siblings in Christ around the world. Today we remember our partners and friends in Venezuela as we gather to share seeds of solidarity and communion.

(Show this video)

One: We gather together to share seeds

All: Seeds of Solidarity with our siblings in Christ in Venezuela

One: We gather together to share seeds

All: Seeds of Thanksgiving

One: We gather together to share seeds

All: Seeds of Celebrating a New Beginning

One: We gather together to share seeds

All: Seeds of Communion

One: We gather together to share seeds

All: Seeds of Celebrating a New Beginning

One: We gather together to share seeds

All: Building Bridges as we celebrate communion together

One: We gather together to share seeds

God, we thank you for this opportunity to gather together at the table. To share bread and wine. To share seeds. To remember that we are interconnected and that we need each other. God, we pray for an end to the economic blockage and for the health and well-being of our siblings in Venezuela. May we share seeds of friendship. May we plant seeds of partnership. May we grow seeds of solidarity. May we celebrate communion together. In Jesus’ name we pray, Amen.
Creative ideas for demonstrating solidarity with partners in Venezuela in your worship and fellowship

-A ritual of passing of seeds, as seen in the video with partners from Venezuela

-Sharing garden seeds which can be planted and which remind us of our partners

-Sharing financial “seeds” which can support the work of Global Ministries partners in Venezuela

-Utilizing creative communion elements in solidarity with UEPV churches. Sometimes it has been difficult, due to the economic blockade, for churches in Venezuela to access traditional bread and wine for communion. These churches have gotten creative! Sometimes using juice from fruits grown in Venezuela or coconut water and instead of bread using corn cakes called arepas. What creative local communion ingredients might you use in a similar situation?