

HUMAN RELATIONS DAY LITURGY



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The people of The United Methodist Church®

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#### INVOCATION

Relational God who created us in community, Thank you for sending your prophets to share your steadfast love with us.

We gather on this Human Relations Day Sunday with a diversity of spiritual gifts.

Link us together to build up your realm. Show us how to connect with all of our neighbors.

Pour out your Spirit on us, activating us to work in partnership with your people for the common good.

We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

**Leader:** We gather today as a congregation

filled with gifts of:
One Voice: Wisdom
One Voice: Knowledge
One Voice: Faith

One Voice: Healing

**Leader:** We gather today as a family seeking a common good and bringing gifts of:

One Voice: Miracles
One Voice: Prophecy

One Voice: Spiritual discernment

One Voice: Prayer and listening to the spirit

**Leader:** We gather today recognizing that our diversity is powerfully connected through our one God.

People: Help us to celebrate and nurture the gifts that come through different races and ethnicities, cultures and traditions.

All: Come, Holy Spirit. Use our gifts in partnership with you.

#### OFFERING

God who has blessed us with so much, activate these Human Relations Day gifts as they join together with others' gifts throughout The United Methodist Church. Transform them into strong and healthy communities, educational opportunities and spiritual sustenance that moves through your people. With the power of your Holy Spirit, use this offering to build relationships, invest in human dignity and form beloved community that unleashes Christlike love.

Amen.



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### **BENEDICTION**

Beloved church family,

God has created us in community as so much more than the sum of our parts.

Recognizing that each one of you has gifts that are complimented by

your neighbors',

join together for the common good to strengthen the contributions of all God's children.

Allow the Spirit to activate in you a sense of purpose

to fully partner your gifts with others

and share the love of Christ with all you meet.

