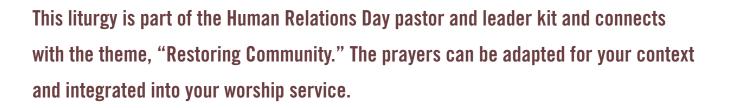


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INVOCATION (based on Isaiah 49:1-7) Triune God of community, you gather us from far and near across time and place as your people. Thank you for forming us in your image and sending prophets to restore your beloved community. Pour out your Spirit on us as we prepare our hearts to worship you. Strengthen our relationships with one another and with the fullness of humanity. Just as you called together all those in exile, you call us to live as your family. Open us to receive the good news of your steadfast love. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen **CALL TO WORSHIP** (based on Psalm 40) **One:** God has set our feet on solid rock and made our steps secure **All: With divine security we step forward to be part of restoring beloved community.**

One: God has given us a new song to sing **All: In praise we declare, "let freedom ring."**

One: God has multiplied wonderful deeds for us **All: We can't help but share the abundance we have been given.**

One: God is generous with steadfast love and faithfulness **All: Thank you, God! Help us to do the same in our worship today.**

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OFFERING PRAYER

"God, your wondrous deeds are more than can be counted. Thank you for your faithfulness and salvation. Thank you for the resources you send us to free us from the sin of racism and other injustices. Receive these gifts from us. As they join with gifts from other United Methodists, multiply and transform them into your vision of a restored community."

BENEDICTION

As you depart from this place, May the Holy Spirit lead you to gather in reconciliation and restoration. May you see God's imprint on each person May you share Christ's love in the beloved community. Go in peace.

