

NATIVE AMERICAN MINISTRIES SUNDAY

GOD'S PROMISE OF RESTORATION



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The people of The United Methodist Church®



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"For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him."

-Acts 2:39 NRSVUE

"It's not that the earth belongs to us and we take care of it. Instead, we belong to the earth and it takes care of us. For countless generations, it has given us everything we need—air, water, fruit—and never kept anything from us."

—The Rev. Chebon Kernell, executive director, United Methodist Native American Comprehensive Plan

The 2021-2024 Quadrennial Vision for the Native American Comprehensive Plan emphasizes:

- preserving Indigenous language,
- understanding Indigenous spirituality,
- addressing the epidemic of violence against Indigenous women and children, and
- seeking climate justice globally.

HOW TO GIVE:

Write a check to your local church with "NAMS" written in the memo line. To give online or set up monthly giving, go to **UMC.org/SSGive**.





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n Native American Ministries Sunday, we partner with other UMC congregations in a special offering to support United Methodist Native American ministries.

One of the denomination's six special Sundays with offering, Native American Ministries Sunday equips and empowers Native American pastors, congregations and seminary students to worship and serve Jesus freely, as Native American people. Half of our gifts stay with local ministries in this conference and half support the work of Native American United Methodist ministries nationally.

The United Methodist Church, the world and our communities are in a time of transition and we are invited to partner with God in this season of restoration. One of the ways that we do this as a denomination is through our Special Sunday offerings. Today our offering joins with other United Methodist Church offerings to celebrate and strengthen Native American ministries and help all people experience God's promises.

Now, perhaps more than ever, we are called to be part of transformational ministries that offer healing and hope to those who have been hurt, excluded or marginalized. Through our gifts and support, we partner with God and God's creation to strengthen Christ's loving presence for all to benefit.

United Methodist Special Sunday celebrations invest in transforming communities, empowering leaders and building up ministries of peace with justice. Concentrating our resources to support shared ministries equips us to offer God's grace and to partner with God's children of all cultures, languages and traditions.

Please be part of restoration, reparation and celebration through your support of Native American Ministries Sunday.

