

CHURCHWIDE SPECIAL SUNDAYS

Special Sunday pastor & leader kit resources available at ResourceUMC.org/pastorkits

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PURPOSE

Highlight the global impact local churches can achieve by giving through the United Methodist connection

Churchwide celebrations unite the entire church to accomplish missions that no single congregation could achieve on its own

RESOURCES

Ready to use resources to aid in understanding the power of the UMC giving connectional and how participation strengthens the reach

ALL RESOURCES AVAILABLE AT NO COST

MATERIAL FOR SIX (6) SUNDAYS

Each Special Sunday kit offers a comprehensive set of resources designed to help your church celebrate the six United Methodist Special Sundays. Each Special Sunday has its own dedicated landing page, providing clear guidance on how to give, why giving matters, and the meaningful impact of our collective efforts.

[HUMAN RELATIONS DAY](#)

[UMCOR SUNDAY](#)

[UNITED METHODIST STUDENT DAY](#)

Three ways to use Special Sunday resources

- Incorporate bulletins, children's message, sermon starters, call to worship, or pew cards into your worship service
- Use the prewritten content, posters or graphics prior to the Sunday to raise awareness about the Special Sunday
- Include explanatory videos or discussion questions in Sunday School or small groups as an introduction to why we celebrate these Special Sundays

[NATIVE AMERICAN MINISTRIES](#)

[PEACE WITH JUSTICE SUNDAY](#)

[WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY](#)

PASTOR & LEADER KIT INCLUDES

- **Worship resources** - sermon starter, call to worship, children's message, activity and bulletin, bulletin insert and a bulletin cover
- **Age level resources** - adult discussion questions, month-long youth plan, children's bulletin and activities
- **Video** - 60 second or less videos that explore the why, how and impact of our giving efforts
- **Social media graphics** - visuals featuring scripture or inspirational quotes that align with the mission of the Special Sunday
- **Promotional resources** - prewritten content, planning calendar, pew card, poster, pew cards and infographic
- **Starter resources** - Special Sunday planning calendar, mini poster for one year, quadrennial poster for four years of celebrations, and an explainer on the purpose of Special Sundays

SUPPORTING CONTENT & SOURCES

- **Mission Moments and More** - weekly devotional series highlighting the vital ministries supported by the United Methodist Church
- **Impact articles** - monthly insights exploring the impact of each giving effort and their global reach
- **Planning calendar** - a comprehensive tool that organizes tasks, opportunities and celebrations for each Special Sunday, complete with resource links for easy access
- **Did You Know resources** - questions, answers, 3-5 key facts for each Special Sunday, 60-second explanatory videos, and bulletin inserts
- **Envelope Label** - a Special Sunday-branded label designed for printing on label templates
- **Giving stats** - monthly updates on contributions to each ministry from every Annual Conference