

Special Sundays Giving

From First Church's Missions Ministry Team:

Annually the United Methodist Church gives its members the opportunity to contribute gifts to special programs. Traditionally these collections are scheduled throughout the church calendar year. This year, the Missions Ministry Team is consolidating these Special Sunday collections into a single offering.

We are requesting that the offerings be made by the end of May.

Along with Wisconsin's Golden Cross Sunday, these are the denomination-wide special missions supported each year.

Human Relations Day supports community developers, volunteer services and youth offender programs, with a goal to encourage social justice.

UMCOR Sunday provides major support for immediate assistance in the wake of natural and human-caused disasters. UMCOR Sunday giving allows 100% of designated gifts to be used for the specified disaster response or other ministry.

Native American Ministries funds urban ministries with Native Americans, scholarships for Native Americans attending United Methodist seminaries and annual conference Native American ministries.

Peace with Justice Ministries supports peace with justice ministries through the General Board of Church and Society and the annual conferences.

World Communion Ministries supports World Communion Scholarships, the Ethnic Scholarship program and the Ethnic In-Service Training Program.

United Methodist Student Ministry provides scholarship funds for United Methodist College, university and graduate students.

Golden Cross Offering supports Harbor House Crisis Shelters, Northcott Neighborhood House, United Methodist Children's Services, United Methodist Hospital and other Wisconsin United Methodist missions.

Donations can be combined as one gift which will be divided between the Ministries or designated to specific ones. Please send your gift before the end of May.

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Here is my gift toward Special Sundays Giving.

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| \$ _____ | Human Relations Day |
| \$ _____ | UMCOR Sunday |
| \$ _____ | Native American Ministries |
| \$ _____ | Peace with Justice Ministries |
| \$ _____ | World Communion Ministries |
| \$ _____ | United Methodist Student Ministry |
| \$ _____ | Golden Cross Offering |
| ~ OR ~ | |
| \$ _____ | to be divided equally between them |

Name _____