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HUMAN RELATIONS DAY



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THIS OFFERING TALK BUILDS ON THE SERMON STARTER “CONNECTING IN RIGHT RELATIONSHIP” BASED ON LUKE 16:19-31. IT CAN BE ADAPTED TO STAND ALONE IF THE PASTOR PREACHES A DIFFERENT SERMON OR FOCUSES ON AN ALTERNATE SCRIPTURE READING.

We hear far too many stories of Lazarus lying by the gate, hungry and sick, while people of privilege have opportunities for better education, nourishing meals and quality health care.

Today we have an opportunity to make an impact in communities where people struggle because they don't have the tools or resources to reach their God-given potential.

One of the wonderful aspects of The United Methodist Church is that we can do so much more together than we ever could do on our own. Today we join together with other congregations to receive the Human Relations Day special offering.

Our gifts are part of building beloved community through faith-based volunteer programs, community developers and programs that work with at-risk teens.

The Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. wrote in his Letter from a Birmingham Jail, “I can never be what I ought to be until you are what you ought to be, and you can never be what you ought to be until I am what I ought to be.”

I invite you to give generously with the confidence that we are responding to the command of Moses, Jesus and the prophets by investing in the gifts and the graces of our family in Christ.



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