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CALENDAR

SPECIAL  
SUNDAY

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# 2022 Planning Calendar

**SPECIAL  
SUNDAY**

JAN

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**Have you ever wondered how to integrate the United Methodist Special Sunday offerings into the rhythm of your congregational planning?**

Each year the denomination sets aside six Sundays as part of the liturgical year to support and celebrate the work of the local, national, and global church. Taking the time to educate and prepare your congregation to give generously allows them to participate more fully in the United Methodist connection. These Special Sundays empower them to have a greater impact through shared ministries than they can as a single congregation.

This planning calendar outlines a strategy that you can adapt for your context in 2022. From small groups to social media to sermon and other worship planning, this tool provides guidance to coordinate a successful campaign.

You have been called on to lead in new ways through these unprecedented times. The planning calendar is designed to clarify and simplify tasks, opportunities, publicity, and celebrations for each Special Sunday. We are in prayer with you as you mobilize your community to learn, serve, and give generously.

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## DID YOU KNOW?

We offer Human Relations Day worship resources, age-level discussion questions, music, videos, and social content. Additionally, we have handpicked for you a list of ten books to read in preparation for the HRD celebration. Visit our website [ResourceUMC.org/HRD](http://ResourceUMC.org/HRD).

# JAN 2022

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## 2 0 2 1 WEEK 5

**12/26**  
**HRD**

Begin posting a social media image once a week to make sure everyone knows the celebration is coming.

**12/29**  
**HRD**

Distribute the children's sermon starters, activities, and bulletins to your children's teaching team.

**12/30**  
**HRD**

Change your Facebook/Twitter cover images to advertise the Special Sunday.

57% of your gifts on Human Relations Day Sunday help support Community Developer Programs. Community Developers are recruited locally and serve on the staff of traditionally Black, Hispanic, Asian, and Native American congregations. The Community Developers Program (CDP) is dedicated to building, maintaining, promoting, and strengthening racial ethnic minority congregations of the United Methodist Church and advancing the church's capacity to be in mission through local congregations.

## DID YOU KNOW?

## 2 0 2 2 WEEK 2

**1/2**  
**HRD**

Announce the Special Sunday during worship and use the social media graphics. Make sure the pew cards are in the pew racks or in high-traffic areas. Keep posting once a week on social channels. Don't forget to download the offering talk script!

**DID YOU KNOW?**

*In recognizing Human Relations Day, we are called to make an impact in communities where people struggle because they don't have the tools or resources to reach their God-given potential.*

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**DID YOU KNOW?**

*For more than half a century, United Methodists have observed Human Relations Day in recognition of the message Jesus demonstrated during his life: all of God's children are important.*

**WEEK 2**

**1/6  
HRD**

Write an email or letter, or make team calls to your congregation to remind them about this Special Sunday!

Make your youth team aware of the youth resource guide, mobile wallpapers, social media graphics, and videos.

**WEEK 3**

**1/12  
HRD**

Post several times on social media. Send one more email to your congregation. Include a donation link if they won't be able to attend a service.

**1/15  
HRD**

Download your Human Relations Day inserts and litany to include in your bulletins.

**WEEK 4**

**1/16  
HRD**

**CELEBRATE Human Relations Day!** Set aside time to announce how much was given on the previous Special Sunday and show people where it's headed. This is a time to concentrate on how generosity impacts and changes lives.

**Human Relations Day**

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## WEEK 5

**1/25**  
**UMCOR**

It's time to order your Special Sunday envelopes and your UMCOR Sunday pew cards!! Call 1-800-991-6011 or **click here to order online**. Download your UMCOR posters and hang them in high-traffic areas.

**1/27**  
**UMCOR**

Email to your leadership team and be sure to include a link to the podcasts and videos. Discuss with your team members ideas on how to personalize the messaging.

## WEEK 6

**1/30**

Make sure the pew cards are in the pew racks or in high-traffic areas.

**2/1**  
**UMCOR**

Encourage your team to learn about UMCOR so they can help promote and discuss the Special Sunday.

Consider watching one video a week together and answering questions that might arise after the viewing.

Send out an email or letter or make a call to members of your congregation to announce the upcoming Special Sunday.

**UMCOR Sunday**

## DID YOU KNOW?

*Giving to UMCOR allows response for local and global relief. In the short term, UMCOR provides financial assistance, and in the long term, UMCOR works with local partners toward recovery and rebuild.*

# FEB 2022

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## DID YOU KNOW?

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**Explore today!**

## WEEK 6

### 2/3 UMCOR

Consider hosting an event for small-group leaders to inform them further about this Special Sunday. Make sure they are aware of the youth resource guide, videos, discussion questions, and worship playlist so they can use them in their groups.

Print some of your favorite social graphics and post them around the church in high-traffic areas. Make sure the worship leader has access to all available sermon starters, litanies, and other resources.

## WEEK 2

*When you make a gift to UMCOR, you can be assured that every dollar will go to the project you specify. To accomplish this, UMCOR uses other funding channels to cover non-program related activities such as administrative overhead or communications.*

## DID YOU KNOW?

### 2/6 UMCOR

Make an announcement before worship and use offering slides during worship. Begin posting a social media image once a day to make sure everyone knows the celebration is coming.

Change your Facebook/Twitter cover images to advertise the Special Sunday.

## UMCOR Sunday

## DID YOU KNOW?

*UMCOR is organized into programmatic areas focused on U.S and international response and recovery, sustainable development, and migration. Each area is founded on the belief that positive sustainable change is best done alongside and in support of communities.*

# FEB 2022

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## DID YOU KNOW?

*When a natural or human-caused disaster strikes inside or outside the U.S. your gift helps UMCOR stay until recovery is complete which establishes hope. UMCOR works with local Annual Conference disaster response ministries to provide financial and physical support.*

### WEEK 2

**2/7**  
**UMCOR**

Begin posting some social media images or *Did You Know* facts on all social feeds two or three times per week. If you don't have social media accounts, select a few of your favorites from our prewritten emails or images and share them in your newsletter or weekly worship bulletins.

**2/7**  
**UMCOR**

Distribute the children's sermon starters, activities, and bulletins to your children's teaching team.

### WEEK 3

**2/15**  
**UMCOR**

Write an email or letter or make team calls to your congregation to remind them about this Special Sunday. Make your youth team aware of the youth resource guide, social media graphics, and videos.

### WEEK 4

**2/20**  
**UMCOR**

Announce it again at church. Make sure the pew cards are in the pew racks or in high-traffic areas. Use the offering slides during worship. Don't forget to download the offering talk script!

**UMCOR Sunday**

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## DID YOU KNOW?

Learn more about the new *Special Sunday envelope and pew cards here*. A *How-to Guide and FAQ* has been created to answer all of your questions.

# MAR2022

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## FEBRUARY

## WEEK 4

2/24  
UMCOR

Post several times on social media. Send one more email to your congregation. Include a donation link if they won't be able to attend a service.

## MARCH

## WEEK 4

3/26  
UMCOR

Download your UMCOR Sunday bulletin inserts to include in your worship service or include in your bulletins.

## WEEK 5

3/27  
UMCOR

**CELEBRATE UMCOR Sunday!** Set aside time to announce how much was given on the previous Special Sunday and show people where it's headed. This is a time to concentrate on how generosity impacts and changes lives.

3/30  
NAMS

It's time to order your Special Sunday envelopes and your **Native American Ministries Sunday** pew cards!! Call 1-800-991-6011 or click here to order online. Download your NAMS posters and hang them in high-traffic areas.

3/31  
NAMS

Send an email to your leadership team and be sure to include a link to the podcasts and videos. Discuss with your team members ideas on how to personalize the messaging.



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## DID YOU KNOW?

*With more than 20,000 Native Americans within the denomination, this Special Sunday helps to ensure that Native American United Methodist leaders are recognized. It was officially recognized in 1988 and has been celebrated on the 3rd Sunday of Easter since 1989.*

# APR2022

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## WEEK 5

### 3/31 NAMS

Encourage your team to learn about Native American Ministries Sunday so they can help promote and discuss the Special Sunday. Consider watching one video a week together and answering questions that might arise after the viewing.

## WEEK 2

### 4/3

Make sure the pew cards are in the pew racks or in high-traffic areas.

### 4/5 NAMS

Send out an email or letter or make a call to members of your congregation to announce the upcoming Special Sunday.

### 4/7 NAMS

Consider hosting an event for small-group leaders to inform them further about this Special Sunday. Make sure they are aware of the youth resource guide, podcasts, videos, discussion questions, and worship playlist so they can use them in their groups.

### 4/9 NAMS

Print some of your favorite social media graphics and hang them around the church in high-traffic areas. Make sure the worship leader has access to all available sermon starters, litanies, and other resources

## Native American Ministries Sunday

**DID YOU KNOW?**

*The United Methodist Church recognizes the need to equip and empower Native American pastors, congregations and seminary students to do what only they can do: authentically worship and serve Jesus. A portion of your donation on Native American Ministries Sunday helps fund a scholarship for designed for Native American students pursuing a degree in ministry.*

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**DID YOU KNOW?**

*According to the United Methodist Finance and Administration agency (GCFA) statistics, 53 out of 56 Annual Conference have a Committee on Native American Ministries (CONAM).*

**WEEK 3**

**4/10**  
**NAMS**

Make an announcement before worship and use offering slides during the service.

**4/12**  
**NAMS**

Send out another email or letter to your congregation. This time, be sure to include some testimonials about the life-change that has happened as a result of UMC generosity.

**WEEK 4**

**4/19**  
**NAMS**

Write an email or letter, or make team calls to your congregation to remind them about this Special Sunday! Make your youth team aware of the youth resource guide, mobile wallpapers, social media graphics, and videos.

**4/20**  
**NAMS**

Begin posting some social media images or *Did You Know* facts on all social feeds two or three times per week. If you don't have social media accounts, select a few of your favorites from our prewritten emails or images and share them in your newsletter or weekly worship bulletins.

**Native American Ministries Sunday**

# APR 2022

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## DID YOU KNOW?

Check out the **Selah Generosity Pastor and Leader's Kit** to help you encourage your congregation to press **PAUSE** and **REFLECT** on God's presence and the connection of The United Methodist Church. In off-months, such as June and July, consider using this pastor kit to allow your church to reflect on the spirit of generosity. Explore resources at [ResourceUMC.org/Selah](https://ResourceUMC.org/Selah)!

# MAY 2022

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## WEEK 5

### 4/24 NAMS

Announce it again at church. Use the offering slides during worship. Don't forget to download the offering talk script! Keep posting once a day on social channels.

### 4/26 NAMS

Begin posting a social media image once a day to make sure everyone knows the celebration is coming. Change your Facebook/Twitter cover images to advertise the Special Sunday. Distribute the children's sermon starters, activities, and bulletins to your children's teaching team.

### 4/30 NAMS

Download your Native American Ministries Sunday inserts and litany to include in your bulletins.

Post several times on social media. Send one more email to your congregation. Include a donation link if they won't be able to attend worship.

## WEEK 1

### 5/1 NAMS

**CELEBRATE NATIVE AMERICAN MINISTRIES SUNDAY!** Set aside time to announce how much was given on the previous Special Sunday and show people where it's headed. This is a time to concentrate on how generosity impacts and changes lives.

## DID YOU KNOW?

*This Sunday is celebrated on the first Sunday after Pentecost and collects a special offering to change lives in places where the joy of knowing Christ is mixed with the tragedy of violence.*

# MAY 2022

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## DID YOU KNOW?

*Peace with Justice is a faithful expression of shalom in the Bible. It calls the church to strengthen its capacity to advocate publicly in communities and nations throughout the world.*

### WEEK 1

#### 5/4 PWJS

It's time to order your Special Sunday envelopes and your Peace With Justice Sunday pew cards!! Call 1-800-991-6011 or **click here to order online.**

Download your Peace With Justice Sunday posters and hang them in high-traffic areas.

#### 5/5 PWJS

Send an email to your leadership team and be sure to include a link to the podcasts and videos. Discuss with your team members ideas on how to personalize the messaging.

### WEEK 2

#### 5/8

Make sure the pew cards are in the pew racks or in high-traffic areas.

#### 5/12 PWJS

Encourage your team to learn about Peace with Justice Sunday so they can help promote and discuss the Special Sunday. Consider watching one video a week together and answering questions that might arise after the viewing.

## Peace for Justice Sunday

## DID YOU KNOW?

*50% of donations to Peace with Justice Sunday stays in local Annual Conferences. Each United Methodist Annual Conference treasurer retains 50% of monies for social justice ministries within the local conference. The remaining 50% is remitted to the General Council on Finance and Administration (GCFA), whose treasurer distributes the net receipts, after promotional expenses, to the agency, General Board of Church and Society, for Peace with Justice ministries worldwide.*

# MAY 2022

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## WEEK 3

**5/16**  
**PWJS**

Change your Facebook/Twitter cover images to advertise the Special Sunday.

Send out an email or letter or make a call to members of your congregation to announce the upcoming Special Sunday.

**5/19**  
**PWJS**

Consider hosting an event for small-group leaders to inform them further about this Special Sunday. Make sure they are aware of the resource guide, reading list, podcasts, videos, discussion questions, and worship playlist so they can use them in their groups.

**5/21**  
**PWJS**

Print some of your favorite social media graphics and hang them around the church in high-traffic areas. Make sure the worship leader has access to all available sermon starters, litanies, and other resources.

## WEEK 4

**5/23**  
**PWJS**

Send out another email or letter to your congregation. This time, be sure to include some testimonials about the life-change that has happened as a result of UMC generosity.

## Peace With Justice Sunday

# MAY 2022

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## DID YOU KNOW?

You can find impact stories for each of the Special Sundays and apportionment funds to share with your church? Share a story of unmeasurable impact today. [UMC.org/YourImpact](http://UMC.org/YourImpact)

# JUN 2022

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## WEEK 4

**5/26**  
**PWJS**

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## WEEK 5

**5/29**  
**PWJS**

Make an announcement before worship and use offering slides during the service.

**5/30**  
**PWJS**

Begin posting a social media image once a day to make sure everyone knows the celebration is coming.

## WEEK 1

**6/2**  
**PWJS**

Distribute the children's sermon starters, activities, and bulletins to your children's teaching team.

Make your youth team aware of the youth resource guide, mobile wallpapers, social media graphics, and videos.

## Peace With Justice Sunday

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## WEEK 2

6/5  
PWJS

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6/6  
PWJS

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6/7  
PWJS

Write an email or letter or make team calls to your congregation to remind them about this Special Sunday!

6/11  
PWJS

Download your Peace with Justice Sunday inserts and litany to include in your bulletins.

## WEEK 3

6/12  
PWJS

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## Peace With Justice Sunday

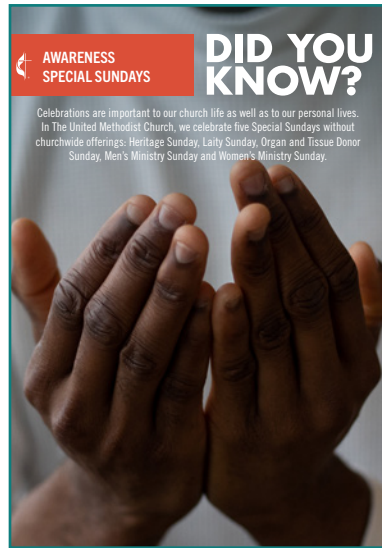
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During Summer months, explore other ways to encourage generosity. We have prepared pastors' and leaders' kits that focus on generous giving, and other tools for you and your church leaders. **Download made-for-you resources and use them in your sermons in July and August.**



### ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND AWARENESS SPECIAL SUNDAY RESOURCES

Does your church celebrate the Annual Conference and Awareness Special Sundays? The Connectional Giving Team has created Pew Cards, videos, and other resources to help your congregation follow the calling of the church as people of God and to give United Methodists the opportunity to contribute offerings and awareness to special programs.



### SELAH GENEROSITY PASTORS' AND LEADERS' KIT

We have assembled together resources to help you encourage your congregation to press PAUSE and REFLECT on God's presence and the connection of The United Methodist Church.

# AUG 2022

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### GIVING NOTES NEWSLETTER

Get generosity tips, tools and resources to help you share the connectional ministry of the UMC. Bi-monthly you will receive articles for authentic generous living and resources that explore generosity.



# AUG 2022

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## WEEK 4

**8/24**  
**WCS**

It's time to order your Special Sunday envelopes and your **World Communion Sunday pew cards!!** Call 1-800-991-6011 or [click here to order online](#). Download your World Communion Sunday posters and hang them in high-traffic areas.

## WEEK 5

**8/31**

Make sure the pew cards are in the pew racks or in high-traffic areas.

## WEEK 1

**9/1**  
**WCS**

Send an email to your leadership team and be sure to include a link to the podcasts and videos. Discuss with your team members ideas on how to personalize the messaging.

## WEEK 2

**9/6**  
**WCS**

Encourage your team to learn about World Communion Sunday so they can help promote and discuss the Special Sunday. Consider watching one video a week together and answering questions that might arise after the viewing.

**9/8**  
**WCS**

Send out an email or letter or make a call to members of your congregation to announce the upcoming Special Sunday.

## DID YOU KNOW?

*United Methodist churches observe World Communion Sunday on the first Sunday in October. The observance focuses the attention of United Methodists on the universal and inclusive nature of the church.*

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## DID YOU KNOW?

*Offerings collected in United Methodist churches on World Communion Sunday are used to fund scholarships for young scholars and seminarians (1972 Book of Discipline ¶163.b). Donations equip racial and ethnic-minority students in the United States and international students to transform the church and communities.*

### WEEK 3

**9/13**  
**WCS**

Print some of your favorite social media images and hang them around the church in high-traffic areas. Make sure the worship leader has access to all available sermon starters, litanies, and other resources

**9/15**  
**WCS**

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### WEEK 4

**9/22**  
**WCS**

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**9/24**  
**WCS**

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## DID YOU KNOW?

*Did you know World Communion Sunday is over 40 years old? According to the 1972 Book of Discipline ¶ 163.b there shall be a World Communion (formerly Fellowship of Suffering and Service) offering to support the division of chaplains and ministries, Crusade Scholarships and the scholarship fund for minority groups.*

## SEP 2022

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## WEEK 5

**9/25**  
**WCS**

Make an announcement before worship and use offering slides during the service. Begin posting a social media image once a day to make sure everyone knows the celebration is coming.

**9/27**  
**WCS**

Write an email or letter or make team calls to your congregation to remind them about this Special Sunday!

**9/29**  
**WCS**

Make your youth team aware of the youth resource guide, mobile wallpapers, social media graphics, and videos. Keep posting once a day on social channels.

Distribute the children’s sermon starters, activities, and bulletins to your children’s teaching team. Change your Facebook/ Twitter cover images to advertise the Special Sunday.

**9/30**  
**WCS**

Post several times on social media. Send one more email to your congregation. Include a donation link if they won’t be able to attend a service.

## DID YOU KNOW?

*World Communion Sunday funds Ethnic Scholarships for international students. World Communion Scholarship Leadership Development Program from General Board of Global Ministries intentionally facilitates the educational preparation and training of mission partners from around the world.*

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## WEEK 1

**10/1**  
**WCS**

Download your World Communion Sunday inserts and litany to include in your bulletins. Don't forget to download the offering talk script!

## WEEK 2

**10/2**  
**WCS**

**CELEBRATE World Communion Sunday!** Set aside time to announce how much was given on the previous Special Sunday and show people where it's headed. This is a time to concentrate on how generosity impacts and changes lives.

## WEEK 5

**10/26**  
**UMSD**

It's time to order your Special Sunday envelopes and your United Methodist Student Day pew cards!! Call 1-800-991-6011 or **click here to order online.** Download your United Methodist Student Day posters and hang them in high-traffic areas.

## WEEK 6

**10/30**  
**UMSD**

Make sure the pew cards are in the pew racks or in high-traffic areas.

## DID YOU KNOW?

We offer United Methodist Student Day worship resources, age-level discussion questions, music, videos, and social content. Additionally, we have handpicked for you a list of ten books to read in preparation for the UMSD celebration. Visit our website [ResourceUMC.org/UMSD](http://ResourceUMC.org/UMSD).

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## DID YOU KNOW?

You can find impact stories for each of the Special Sundays and apportionment funds to share with your church? Share a story of unmeasurable impact today.

### WEEK 1

**11/1**  
**UMSD**

Send an email to your leadership team and be sure to include a link to the podcasts and videos. Discuss with your team members ideas on how to personalize the messaging

**11/3**  
**UMSD**

Encourage your team to learn about United Methodist Student Day so they can help promote and discuss the Special Sunday. Consider watching one video a week together and answering questions that might arise after the viewing.

**11/5**  
**UMSD**

Consider hosting an event for small-group leaders to inform them further about this Special Sunday. Make sure they are aware of the resource guide, reading list, podcasts, videos, discussion questions, and worship playlist so they can use them in their groups.

### WEEK 2

**11/8**  
**UMSD**

Send out an email or letter or make a call to members of your congregation to announce the upcoming Special Sunday.

## DID YOU KNOW?

*United Methodist Student Day was the original Special Sunday. Dating back to 1872, this fund was the first collection taken in United Methodist Church Sunday school classes to advance the education of their children. The United Methodist church recognizes educating their children was and still is today a strong investment in the future of the church. The special Sunday was established as a Children's Fund and in 1940 was renamed as Student Day. Initially this Sunday was observed in June, but since 1968 it is celebrated on the last Sunday in November.*

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## WEEK 2

**11/10**  
**UMSD**

Print some of your favorite social graphics and hang them around the church in high-traffic areas. Make sure the worship leader has access to all available sermon starters, litanies, and other resources.

## WEEK 3

**11/13**  
**UMSD**

Make an announcement before worship and use offering slides during the service. Begin posting a social media image once a day to make sure everyone knows the celebration is coming.

**11/14**  
**UMSD**

Change your Facebook or Twitter cover images to advertise the Special Sunday.

**11/15**  
**UMSD**

Send out another email or letter to your congregation. This time, be sure to include some testimonials about the life-change that has happened as a result of UMC generosity.

**11/17**  
**UMSD**

Begin posting some social media images or Did You Know facts on all social feeds two or three times per week. If you don't have social media accounts, select a few of your favorites from our prewritten emails or images and share them in your newsletter or weekly worship bulletins.

DID YOU KNOW?

The funds received from the offering go into the United Methodist Student Loan Fund to underwrite scholarships for United Methodist students. Currently, there are over 70 scholarships available for United Methodist students.

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DID YOU KNOW?

**Mission Moments and More** is a weekly devotion that provides a moment for mission, offertory prayer and bite sized newsletter copy to be inserted in your church newsletter or bulletin. [Explore today!](#)

WEEK 3

11/19  
UMSD

Distribute the children’s sermon starters, activities, and bulletins to your children’s teaching team.

Make your youth team aware of the youth resource guide, mobile wallpapers, social media graphics, and videos.

WEEK 4

11/20  
UMSD

Announce it again at church. Use the offering slides during worship. Don’t forget to download the offering talk script! Keep posting once a day on social channels.

11/22  
UMSD

Write an email or letter or make team calls to your congregation to remind them about this Special Sunday!

11/26  
UMSD

Download your United Methodist Student Day inserts and litany to include in your bulletins.

Post several times on social media. Send one more email to your congregation. Include a donation link if they won’t be able to attend a service.

United Methodist Student Day

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## WEEK 5

11/27  
UMSD

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## WEEK 2

12/7  
HRD

It's time to order Special Sunday envelopes and your Human Relations Day envelopes! Call 1-800-991-6011 or [click here to order online.](#)

12/10  
HRD

Download your Human Relations Day posters and post them in high-traffic areas.

## WEEK 3

12/15  
HRD

Send an email to your leadership team and be sure to include a link to the podcasts and videos. Discuss with your team members ideas on how to personalize the messaging. Encourage your team to learn about Human Relations Day so they can help promote and discuss the Special Sunday. Consider watching one video a week together and answering questions that arise after the viewing.



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## DID YOU KNOW?

Check out the *Selah Generosity Pastor and Leader's Kit* to help you encourage your congregation to press **PAUSE** and **REFLECT** on God's presence and the connection of The United Methodist Church. In off-months, such as June and July, consider using this pastor kit to allow your church to reflect on the spirit of generosity.

Explore resources at [ResourceUMC.org/Selah!](https://ResourceUMC.org/Selah!)

### WEEK 4

**12/20**  
**HRD**

Send out an email or letter or make a call to members of your congregation to announce the upcoming Special Sunday.

### WEEK 5

**12/27**  
**HRD**

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**12/29**  
**HRD**

Print some of your social media favorites and hang them around the church in high-traffic areas. Make sure the worship leader has access to all available sermon starters, litanies, and other resources.

# Human Relations Day

Keep an eye out and share the gift  
status with your congregation here.

WE UPDATE IT EVERY MONTH!

You can find Impact Stories for  
each of the SPECIAL SUNDAY'S and  
Apportionment Funds to share  
with your church at

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