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AC 2022

Watch the live stream

The 2022 Annual Conference session— which is June 9-11— will be streamed live on the Conference YouTube channel.

Find the tentative schedule and a link to our channel, as well as all the latest on the upcoming Annual Conference on our website at www.neumc.org/acsessions

The Pre-Conference Materials include proposed legislation, the proposed 2023 Conference Budget, and Reports from Conference boards and agencies and others as well as other information about the Annual Conference session. It is available as a free PDF on our website along with videos. Use the link above.



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Beyond the Offering Plate

Creating healthy, vital churches is no easy task. So many aspects require time and intention: — inspiring worship, passionate spirituality, empowered leadership — we must attend to all of these and so much more.

Financial matters require no less attention. Developing a system of giving, donor development, monetizing space and resources are all vitally important.

In this webinar, 9-11 am on Saturday June 4, Conference Congregational Development Director Rev. Rick McKinley and Pastor David Alexandre of Connection Church in Lynn, MA,

will use material developed by [Mark DeYmaz](#), founding pastor of the multi-ethnic and economically diverse Mosaic Church of Central Arkansas, to help you explore ways to strengthen the financial life of your congregation.

All are welcome. This training has been created especially for leaders in our Hispanic/Latino congregations, so we will offer live interpretation into Portuguese and Spanish. This webinar will NOT be recorded.

Find the event on our Conference website calendar (address below) to register and get the attendance link.



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Get new resources from the Disability Ministries Committee

The Disability Ministries Committee (DMC) of The UMC believes all people, including those with disabilities, are created in God's image and have sacred worth.

Resources

We believe that it is vital to the body of Christ to celebrate the spiritual gifts of people with disabilities and incorporate them into the life of the church.

Through advocacy, education, and empowerment, we strive to fully include

people with disabilities in worship, missions, leadership and ministry—throughout The United Methodist Church. We invite individuals and local congregations to join us in this vital ministry.

The DMC is highlighting some of its newest resources designed to engage UMC members through understanding **Disability Theology**, empower our churches to work to achieve **Disability Justice**, and equip all levels of the Church to provide radical **Disability Hospitality**.

Find more on their website umcdmc.org



Training ...



The New England Conference Office of Congregational Development is offering a new webinar each month (typically the first Monday of the month) to help congregations use digital/online technology in all aspects of church life: from powerful transformative worship experiences and spiritual formation to study, meetings, small

groups, discipleship, evangelism, and more.

Find recordings of past webinars at <https://www.neumc.org/digital-ministry>

Find news about upcoming Digital Ministry and other online training events at www.neumc.org/training or in our weekly e-newsletter UMCatalyst.

Special Sunday

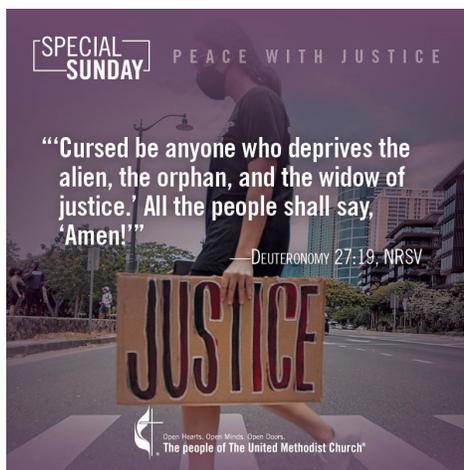
Peace with Justice Sunday is June 12

United Methodists relate to this special Sunday by seeking peaceful solutions, creating and supporting peace-related ministries in their conference and learning about peaceful, just efforts around the world.

Our Social Principles call us to love our enemies, seek justice, and serve as reconcilers of conflict. We insist that the first moral duty of all nations is to work together to resolve by peaceful means every dispute that arises between or among them.

Peace with Justice Sunday is June 12, 2022.

Donations for this special Sunday support programs and minis-



tries to educate, equip and mobilize actions in support of identified Economic, Health, and Gender Justice Priorities. Fifty percent of the offering remains in your annual conference to support this ministry.

We achieve peace with justice efforts by working with the World Council of Churches, interfaith and ecumenical bodies, and secular organizations for social-justice policies and programs that seek the wholeness of shalom for all of God's people. Your gift, joined with the gifts of others makes a significant impact in the lives of individuals and communities.

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Let's Connect

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