



Calendar of Connection-Wide Opportunities & Events

July and August 2021

#BeUMC: Tell Others Who We Are. Churches can start using in their social media accounts a new hashtag, #BeUMC. The hashtag and accompanying graphics and stories invite church members to embody the church's values. It's part of the People of God campaign, which celebrates key attributes that are important to United Methodists. Each month, churches will focus on a specific word: faithful, missional, committed, spirit-filled, deeply rooted, connected, resilient, justice-seeking, and diverse. They are designed to remind United Methodists to be the church our world so desperately needs. [Learn more.](#)

Good Neighbor Experiment. Churches seeking to express their faith in ways that demonstrate genuine concern for their neighbors, discover how to integrate faith into daily life and interactions, and determine how to use the congregation's strengths in order to follow God's leading can participate in The Good Neighbor Experiment. United Methodist Discipleship Ministries is a sponsor of this nine-month series of "labs" in which church members practice getting to know their neighbors and helping to build community strength. [Learn more about this practical way to "love your neighbors."](#)

Anti-Racism Courses and Group Resources. The United Methodist General Commission on Religion and Race has online courses and resources for small groups on implicit racism, how to be an ally for those confronting racism, and more. [Visit their site](#) to learn what is available for yourself or a group from your church.

Pastoring in the Digital Parish: United Methodist Communications offers this podcast to help churches provide ministry in "digital space." Each episode includes conversations with coaches and teachers who talk about how to build an online presence for your ministries and engage individuals in community. Listen to recent episodes and learn how to subscribe [here](#).