### DisAbility Ministries Committee

The DisAbility Ministries Committee has volunteer clergy and lay members who help churches remove barriers and be welcoming to people with disabilities.

#### Resources

- Disability Awareness Sunday ideas for: Scripture, hymns, prayers and services
- Articles for accessibility audits, lifts and ramps and technology tips
- Grants to increase access
- News and periodicals
- Ways to be in ministry with people with physical, mental & intellectual disabilities
- Camp and church visits for accessibility walk-throughs, advocacy and workshops
- Badges for inclusive churches

DMC partners with the Commission on Religion and Race in the over-all work of institutional equity, vital conversations and intercultural competency. Donate at Umcor.org

#### umcdmc.org



## Disability Ministries Connections

#### About Us

United Methodists believe all people, including those with disabilities, are created in God's image and have sacred worth.

It is vital to the body of Christ to embrace diversity and celebrate the spiritual gifts of people with disabilities and incorporate them into the life of the church.

We advocate, empower and educate, to include people with dis-Abilities and loved ones in worship, missions, leadership and ministry.

# We invite you, as individuals and local congregations to join us.

"Then God said, 'Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness,' . . . "So God created humankind in His image." (Genesis 1:26a, 27a)

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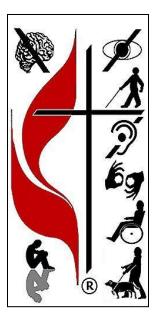


## **United Methodists**

Embracing diverse, inclusive and accessible church communities



## Association of Ministers with Disabilities



We encourage and support people who sense a call to ministry. exhibit gifts and graces, and live with a disability. We raise awareness about clergy and lay persons with disabilities. and how ministries may be enhanced by their daily, life challenges.

#### Resources

- Leadership Trainings (online and at bi-annual meeting)
- Legislation Development for the United Methodist Church
- Links to articles and publications

UMAMD was founded in 1990, as a caucus to support, advocate and educate. To learn more, donate or become a member (\$15-25 per year), please visit the UMAMD website.

#### UMDisabledMinisters.org

## **Committee on Deaf and Hard** of Hearing Ministries

This Global Ministries committee offers resources, advocates and supports the empowerment of Deaf, hard of hearing, late-deafened, and Deafblind in the church. They enrich and diversify their communities and the wider church.

#### **Grants and Scholarships**

We offer scholarship applications for ministries, missions and accessibility.

#### Resources

- Brochures
- Bulletin inserts and guides
- Ideas for networking and learning different ministry models
- American Sign Language (ASL)

Our work depends on your donations: Advance #982562 UMDeaf.org

## **UM Congress of the Deaf**

An approved caucus, UMCD promotes the inclusion, empowerment, and leadership of Deaf, hard of hearing, late-deafened, and Deafblind persons in The United Methodist Church. For information, visit **umcd.org** 



## **Partnership Ministries**

The Commission on Religion and Race builds capacity of The United Methodist Church to be relevant and to reach more people. This includes younger people, diverse people and people with disabilities, as we make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. It provides practical resources and support to help leaders in the Church engage and embrace the cultural diversity present in our congregations and communities.

### GCORR.org



Mental Health Ministries, a nonprofit, interfaith, web-based ministry, helps erase the stigma of mental illness in faith communities. Online bulletins, brochures and training links help create caring congregations for people living with a mental illness and those who love and care for them. Visit to download resources from pastoral care, to worship, suicide, PTSD and more.

## MentalHealthMinistries.net

