How can I support Disability Ministries in the UMC?

- Donate to The Advance #3021054: Disability Ministries Committee.
- Get involved with your Annual Conference Disability Team.
- Sign up to be a Resource Person (DMC volunteer).
- Help your church complete the Annual Accessibility Audit for UM Churches and earn a badge that tells the community you are Disability Friendly and Accessible!

Who makes up the DMC?

Representatives from each jurisdiction, our mental health task force, Ministers with Disabilities, Committee on Deaf and Hard of Hearing Ministries, our consultants, GCORR, and the Council of Bishops.

Disability Ministries Committee of the United Methodist Church

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Connect with us!

- Use the resources and sign up for our newsletter on our website.
- Follow us on Facebook (DisAbilityMinistriesUM), and Instagram (@dmc.umc)
- Subscribe to our blog at umdisability.blogspot.com
- Reach us by email at information@umcdmc.org

A Partner Ministry of:

Religion & Race
General Commission on Religion and Race
The United Methodist Church
Disability Theology

We engage pastors and leaders in theological reflection and offer resources celebrating that "God created humankind in his image" (Gen. 1:27) through:

- Disability Awareness Sunday
  - FAQs, liturgies, videos
- Ableism Toolkit
  - Awareness-raising tools
- Cross Cultural Focus Group
  - Developing materials that work in many contexts
- Neurodiversity Initiative
  - Autism acceptance education and resources

Disability Justice

Because "the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable" (1 Cor. 12:22) we empower individuals with disabilities and advocate within United Methodist structures for full access to leadership and a place at the table through:

- Training for Conference Boards of Ordained Ministries on accommodating clergy candidates with disabilities.
- Education and awareness for Safe Sanctuaries best practices in disability ministries.
- Resolutions to ensure equal access for people with disabilities.

Disability Hospitality

"To equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ" (Eph. 4:12) we equip congregations, camps, and conferences to make our faith communities and ministries places of true belonging for all through:

- The Disability-friendly and Accessible Church badge program
- Church accessibility and disability ministry grants
- Mental health awareness training
- Education on event and program accessibility
- Consultation to congregations, ministries, and conference teams