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Human Rights Day Celebration

A Call to Act

via Zoom

Topic: CWU Madison Unit Zoom Meeting Time: Jan 7, 2022 09:30 AM Central Time

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HUMAN RIGHTS DAY CELEBRATION

"IT'S UP TO YOU IN 2022" "A Call to Act"

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Anchor verse for Human Rights Day Celebration is: 1 John 3:18 (NIV) – "Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth."

The ultimate idea of a Human Rights Day Celebration is to educate and embrace the principles of human equality and dignity and the commitment to respect and protect the rights of all people.

WHAT ARE HUMAN RIGHTS?

A Human Right is a right that is believed to belong justifiably to every person in the world from birth until death. They apply regardless of where you are from, what you believe, or how you choose to live your life. Human rights are generally thought of as the most fundamental rights and are necessities of the human existence. They include the right to life, education, protection from torture, free expression, and fair trial.

WHY WE CELEBRATE HUMAN RIGHTS DAY

The Universal Declaration of Human rights (UDHR) is a milestone document in the history of human rights, which was adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on December 10, 1948 because of the Second World War. World leaders decided to adopt a road map to guarantee the rights of every individual everywhere and vowed never to allow the atrocities of that war to happen again. Human Rights Day is celebrated every year on December 10th to honor the United Nations General Assembly for declaring the human rights universally. However, Human Rights Day can be celebrated at any time throughout the year.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER - In Unison

O God, you know us better than we know ourselves. You know what we are able to bear and you know what would destroy us. We pray for all who face danger on this day both in our community and in the communities of our world. We pray for people standing in lines for food and water, for people without permanent housing, and for those who have been tragically bereaved. We pray for the unemployed, the underemployed, and for those in fear of losing their jobs. We pray for all who stand bravely for Christ on this day and for all who wait patiently on Your promises. Remind all who struggle that they are not forsaken and that their faith in You is not misplaced. Open our hearts to respond to the needs of a hurting world. Make us Your hands and feet and walk us into places where people need You most. May we follow the path of Jesus, wherever it needs to take us so that You might be glorified on this earth. AMEN

OPENING SONG

LITANY PRAYER "Do It Anyway" by Mother Teresa

Leader: People are often unreasonable and self-centered.

ALL: FORGIVE THEM ANYWAY.

Leader: If you are kind, people may accuse you of ulterior motives.

ALL: BE KIND ANYWAY.

Leader: If you are honest people may cheat you.

ALL: BE HONEST ANYWAY.

Leader: If you find happiness people may be jealous.

ALL: BE HAPPY ANYWAY.

Leader: The good you do today may be forgotten tomorrow.

ALL: DO GOOD ANYWAY.

Leader: Give the world the best you have and it may never be enough.

ALL: GIVE YOUR BEST ANYWAY.

Leader: For you see in the end it is

ALL: BETWEEN YOU AND GOD. IT WAS NEVER BETWEEN YOU AND THEM ANYWAY.

PROGRAM

OFFERING PRAYER

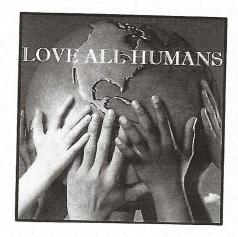
God of Creation, You made us in Your image and invited us into covenant to be a blessing for earth and all peoples. In response and gratitude for Your generosity, we bring these offerings and dedicate them along with our lives to further justice in the world until all Your children can live in equality, prosperity, and peace. **AMEN**

HUMAN RIGHTS AWARD

CLOSING SONG

SENDING FORTH

As we leave this place, open our hearts to respond to the needs of a hurting world. Make us Your hands and feet and walk us to places where people need You most. **AMEN**



This celebration relates to the National CWU theme, "It's Up to You in 2022." The theme song is, "We Are Called," by David Haas and the Overall prayer is, "Do It Anyway," by Mother Teresa.

The main principle of the theme chosen is highlighted in the scripture **Ezra 10:4 (NIV)**, "Rise up; this matter is in your hands. We will support you, so take courage and do it."

This Celebration relates directly to **Quadrennial Priority #3.** See the website for detailed information. www.churchwomenunited.net.

Focus: Racial Justice, with the heightened more publicized realities of racial injustice all over our TV, computer, and phone screens, it is impossible to talk about social justice without prioritizing racial justice. Church Women United cannot "be about" social justice without doing specific work to create racial justice both inside and outside our organization and the Church.

Thank you to Gloria Carter for hosting the January 7, 2022 Meeting

Human Rights Award Recipient

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Karen Andro Bio

Karen Andro is an advocate whose work involves serving in community to build collaborative relationships helping to reduce barriers of inequity and injustice with an emphasis on advocacy of homelessness issues. She serves as the Director of Hope's Home Ministries for First United Methodist Church in downtown Madison. Karen has served in a variety of leadership roles in the community as well as the church, putting her heart and soul into community service through the Food Pantry, meal programs and community outreach. She manages the churches commercial kitchen which brings together community service to share food and fellowship, and a place where many have gained job readiness training in food service industry.

Announcing the 2020-2022 Madison Area Religious and Human Resources Directory

The New Directory is fresh off the press and available to order: The Directory has a new look. It is now 8 ½ by 11 size sheets, so the print is a little larger, and for future editions we will be able to send inserts for the updated copy. There are about 300 faith communities listed and 300 human resource agencies, as well as special listings for Emergency Community Resources for Food, Shelter and Clothing; an Emergency/Hotline/Crisis-Stress/Information Chart; and a page on End of Life Services. Any Questions, phone Ruth Hein- Church Women United and Madison Ecumenical Center Outreach at 608-347-4724.

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