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Mission Moment

In Scripture, Jesus calls himself the "bread of life." On the night of The Last Supper, Jesus took bread and said, "take, eat, this is my body." God sustaining us with our daily bread, with the word of God, and with the presence and action of Jesus is central to our Christian faith. It is in the participating and receiving of Holy Communion that we find the culmination of God's power through Jesus dwelling in us and among us.

Holy Communion is not unique to The United Methodist Church; it is a sacrament we share with other Christian churches. We remember this connection to the universal church when we observe *World Communion Sunday* alongside other Christians from other denominations in other parts of the world.

Next week, October 1st, we observe *World Communion Sunday*. In The United Methodist Church, we also recognize *World Communion Sunday* as one of our **Special Sundays**, when we take up a churchwide offering. This giving benefits World Communion Scholars, as well as Ethnic Scholarships and Ethnic In-Service Training programs.