

June 11, 2017

## Mission Moment

Today we celebrate Peace with Justice Sunday. Our gifts today go toward doing God's work in the world, following in the path of Jesus, being disciples and making disciples.

Disciples of Jesus Christ do not just talk about God's kingdom; they live as citizens of God's kingdom. Disciples work to bring about peace, or shalom, the wholeness of living as people reconciled to God, God's world and each other. This wholeness, this peace, is not possible without doing the work of justice in the world.

Some of the supported projects include helping people monitor for fair elections in Africa, improving refugee resettlement, assisting immigrants with renewing documentation, ministering to victims of violent crime, and working toward self – development in the Philippines.

Our God of love and peace, open our eyes to see the reflection of your image in each person. By your Spirit, inspire us to contribute to the flourishing of people, creatures, and the environment. Use these gifts and offerings to support our church's mission of hope and assistance for people in our wider community.

When we do this important work, we are demonstrating the love and message of Christ and promoting true peace.