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Mission Moment

Today is ***United Methodist Student Day***, a day when we celebrate the generosity and commitment of The United Methodist Church toward empowering people to pursue education. On average, 2,300 students are able to receive scholarships because of the special offering that will be taken up today. This is an incredible gift when we consider that the average class of 2016 graduate has roughly \$37,000 in student loan debt.

The first scholarship aid offering began in 1837 and 144 years later, we are continuing this important tradition.

When we give on ***United Methodist Student Day***, we are paying it forward. Our gifts are multiplied in the work done by those who receive scholarships as they take what they have learned to positively influence our society. They make an impact when they take the skills and knowledge they have gained in their education and use them as they continue to walk in faith. They make an impact as they give, serve and live as God's people who are the light of the world.

In our gratefulness, let us also be generous in our giving to our United Methodist students on this day.