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Dear Friends,

For generations, The United Methodist Church has had a reputation for caring about and for people, especially those in need of healing and support. Our Health & Welfare Ministries are responsible for perpetuating a great legacy of caring. As your bishop, I am pleased to remind you that, in Wisconsin, we have many excellent reasons to support Golden Cross Sunday. Those reasons include our hospitals, senior living communities, as well as neighborhood, family, and children's services that are directly impacted by this offering.

As you well know, all of our Health & Welfare Ministries are making a difference in the lives of thousands of people each year. It is a joy to serve in Wisconsin where people are committed to reaching out with Christ's love to people of all ages and circumstances. Our offerings are used throughout the year to support those who are unable to cover the full cost of their care and service.

This year, **Sunday, May 12** is the suggested date for us to remember and celebrate our Health & Welfare Ministries with the **Golden Cross Sunday Special Offering**. An offering in honor of mothers on that day is a great way to celebrate life-sustaining love, so I invite all of our Wisconsin United Methodist congregations to participate. If that date won't work, take the offering on a date that works best for your congregation.

Thank you in advance for the generous and caring response to Golden Cross Sunday, which will make it possible for our ministries to continue to serve in Christ's name on our behalf.

In Christ's Love,

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Bishop

Enclosure: Golden Cross offering envelopes



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