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UM Day 2026

OPTION 1:

United Methodists to Gather for UM Day at the General Assembly – January 29, 2026

Every year, United Methodists from across Virginia come together in Richmond to put faith into action at **UM Day at the General Assembly**. This annual event, hosted by the **Conference Legislative Network (CLN)**, provides clergy and laity alike the opportunity to meet with their state representatives, learn about key issues, and advocate for policies that help us better love our neighbors.

This year's event will be held on **Thursday, January 29, 2026**, from **7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** at **Centenary United Methodist Church**. Participants will begin the day with worship and orientation, then head to the General Assembly to meet legislators and attend committee sessions. The day concludes with lunch and reflection with United Methodists from across the Commonwealth.

UM Day is a meaningful opportunity to connect faith and public life, putting our Wesleyan commitment to social holiness into practice. Whether you're passionate about healthcare, education, criminal justice reform, environmental stewardship, or other issues affecting our communities, your voice matters.

Registration Details:

- **Early Bird Rate:** \$25 (through December 12, 2025)
- **Regular Registration:** \$40 (closes January 18, 2026)
- **Student Rate:** \$10

Registration closes **January 18, 2026**. Space is limited, so participants are encouraged to register early.

For more information or to register, visit [insert registration link]. Join us in Richmond as we live out our faith through advocacy, prayer, and community witness.

OPTION 2:

Living Our Faith in Action: Join Us for UM Day at the General Assembly

Each year, United Methodists from every corner of Virginia travel to Richmond for **UM Day at the General Assembly**—a day dedicated to faithful advocacy, meaningful connection, and public witness. Hosted by the **Conference Legislative Network (CLN)**, this gathering offers clergy and lay people a unique chance to meet with legislators and speak to the heart of what we believe: that God calls us to love our neighbors through both personal acts of compassion and collective action for justice.

On **January 29, 2026**, from **7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**, participants will gather at **Centenary United Methodist Church (400 E Franklin St, Richmond, VA 23219)** for worship, orientation, and fellowship before heading to the Virginia State Capitol. Together, we will listen, learn, and lift our voices in support of policies that reflect God's justice and mercy.

UM Day reminds us that advocacy is a spiritual discipline—a way to live out John Wesley's call to "spread scriptural holiness across the land." Whether you've attended before or are joining for the first time, you'll find the day both inspiring and empowering.

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Registration closes January 18, 2026, and space is limited—so sign up early!

For more information and to register, visit [insert registration link]. Come be part of a day where faith meets action, and where together, we help shape a more just and compassionate Virginia.

Registration Link: <https://brushfire.com/vaumc/umdayatthegeneralassembly2026/614665>