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Love One Another

[Luke 15:11-32](#)

Dear friends,

One of the things I have learned as I have aged, is that I still have a great deal to learn. I grew up in an area that had only one African American family. While my father was very racist, I always felt that I was not racist. Throughout the years of my life, I have had a number of African American friends, yet, I have to admit that there are times even today when I feel intimidated by persons who look different from me.

Some of you may have taken offense to the statement issued by the Cabinet of the Florida Conference. It was strongly worded. However, I hope you understand that this was not directed to any one church or any individual. I saw this as an attempt to help us all grow in our understanding and compassion for all those who are treated differently, simply because of their skin color.

I was a young adult during the 1960's and I remember the race riots and turmoil. It was a difficult and frightening time. The violence and destruction often overpower the voices of peaceful protest. Yet, we did make progress. Schools were integrated. Restrooms and water fountains were no longer segregated. Restaurants were required to serve everyone. I think we can all agree these were changes that were needed.

Today, as far as we have come, there is still inequality and a need to learn and grow. I hope you will join me in being open to listening to other viewpoints. Maybe you cannot agree with all the Cabinet's statement said, but please try to understand that for some, strong statements are needed to bring about change. The truth in all of this is that God calls us to love one another.

This Sunday we will be celebrating Father's Day. We will see what we can

learn from the story of the "Waiting Father." Jesus tell this story to remind us that our Heavenly Father loves us all and welcomes us all into his kingdom of peace.

With love and peace,
Rev. Sharon

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

We need Pictures for Father's Day!

In honor of the coming Father's Day, we are asking that you share some of your favorite pictures of you and your dad. Please email them to Jessica Petot at: jpetot@phumc.net by Wednesday the 17th.

We would like to incorporate them into our Father's Day worship service.



Meals To Go
PHUMC is now offering meals for a family of two and a family of four

Three plates of food are shown in a row. From left to right: a slice of pizza with toppings, a salad with chicken and vegetables, and a plate of spaghetti with meat sauce and cheese.

PHUMC Food Service is now offering Meals To Go.

To order, click here on the [MEALS TO GO](#). It will provide you with information and a link to order.

Due to various circumstances, Monday meals will no longer be offered. However, there are still delicious Wednesday and Friday meals available. Please check the phumc.net website for a list of the current meals.

Pricing: meals for 2 - \$15 Meals for 4 - \$30

If you have any questions or are in need of assistance, please contact Susan Grandy at: cell: 727-470-1912 or the kitchen: 727-683-2580

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