

Migration with Dignity Sunday, February 8, 2026

The Episcopal Migration Caucus has designated February 8, 2026 as Migration with Dignity Sunday, while saying that, of course, it can also be observed on another Sunday in Epiphany if preferred. Migration with Dignity Sunday is an opportunity to learn and teach about the Migration with Dignity Principles and to include prayers for Migration with Dignity in worship. The Caucus has developed [resources to help congregations plan liturgies, discussions, workshops, teach-ins, etc. for MWD Sunday.](#)

Migration with Dignity is a paradigm-changing framework for discussing immigrant rights. The Migration with Dignity principles have deep resonance with scripture and Christian theology. Province V and several of our individual dioceses passed MWD resolutions in 2023-24 and The Episcopal Church adopted Migration with Dignity as a framework to guide all of its migration ministries at the 81st General Convention in 2024.

The six Migration with Dignity principles are:

- A universal right of movement, including freedom to leave and return to one's country of origin, freedom of movement within one's country of origin or country of settlement.
- The right to be secure: from sexual violence including rape and sexual exploitation, human trafficking, slavery, forced labor and arbitrary and abusive detention.
- The right of equality, to include: 1) equal treatment with no discrimination under the law based on color, gender, sexual orientation, language, religion, political affiliation, national origin; and 2) equal opportunity for upward mobility.
- Rights to a basic quality of life, including employment, housing, and food rights.
- The right to access services such as health care, education and legal representation.
- Civil and political rights guaranteeing the right to identity, to the use of one's language, and to freedom of speech and religion.

According to Silvia Huth, co-coordinator of the Province V Migration Ministry Network, "Clearly, Migration with Dignity aligns with the commitments our church has made to immigrant justice, and celebrating MWD Sunday can be an important way to continue educating our congregations about these commitments."

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Learn more about their work here: <https://www.provincev.org/migration.html>

