

## **Wholeness in Christ: A Journey through the Wholeness Wheel**

*An eight-part LCMS Michigan District Devotional Series*

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### **2. Relational Well-Being: Life Together in Christ**

**Scripture:** *“We, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another.”* — Romans 12:5

#### **Reflection:**

We were never meant to walk alone. From the beginning, God said, “It is not good that man should be alone.” We were created for community. God places us in families, congregations, and neighborhoods to share His love. When relationships are rooted in Christ and reflect His forgiveness and grace, we forgive as Christ forgives, listen as He listens, and serve as He serves; we reflect our Triune God. The Church is not just people we attend worship with—it is the Body of Christ where we belong. Relational well-being grows in our relationships marked by forgiveness, service, and love. Christian fellowship strengthens faith and bears witness to the world that we are His disciples.

#### **Ponder:**

- How can you use your relationships to reflect Christ’s love today?
- What does living “as one body” look like in your congregation?
- Is there someone God is calling you to reconcile with, forgive, or encourage?

#### **Prayer:**

Lord, thank You for the people You have placed in our lives. Strengthen our relationships with love, patience, and forgiveness. Teach us to love and serve as You have first loved us. Amen.