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## **SERVE ONE ANOTHER**

I bet you don't wake up in the morning thinking about how you can be a great person. From day to day, people don't generally think about reputation and legacy. But there are times when we can't help but consider the kind of life that will be meaningful. What makes a life great?

Coretta Scott King said that "the greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members." She was remembering the teaching of Jesus. On the day when a couple of his disciples were thinking about legacy and arguing about who was the greatest, Jesus said to them:

*You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. It will not be so among you; but whoever wishes to be great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be your slave; just as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve. (Matthew 20:24-28).*

On the weekend that honors the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr., the Hills Church will join together in concrete acts of service. This Sunday, January 14, all are invited to stay after worship to participate in service opportunities for all ages and abilities. Our primary project will be to organize bulk foods into individually boxed ingredients for meals that are shelf-stable and nutritious, partnering with The Outreach Program ([outreachprogram.org](http://outreachprogram.org)).

In addition to Sunday, church members will travel on Saturday to work with Habitat for Humanity, and to join in an MLK Day of Learning across the city.

We are not seeking greatness. We are seeking to follow the way of Jesus.

Peace,

Rev. Dr. Matthew Wooster

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