

**LABOR SUNDAY**

\$ 2.6 MILLION A YEAR ...



\* MEDIAN CEO PAY FOR LARGE CO.S

DISC. BY TRIBUNE MEDIA SERVICE

NEST STOPS A DAY ...



\* OF ONE MINUTE DURATION EACH

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... MAKES FOUR TIMES AS MUCH  
STANDING AT THE URINAL\* ...



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... AS A MINIMUM WAGE  
WORKER MAKES ALL YEAR.



# Minimum Wage in Mass.

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- State= \$8.00/hour
- Federal=\$7.25/hour
- 94k workers in MA earn minimum wage
- 400k workers earn between \$8.25-\$11.00/hour
- Represents 1/6 workers
- 200k children live in households headed by low-wage earners
- 40% have an Associates Degree or Higher
- Value has dropped 68% since 1968

Minimum  
WAGE = \$16,000/year  
CEO-GOLDMAN SACHS  
(Loyal Blackfolks)  
\$16,000 / HOUR

# Fast Food

- 52% of full time Fast Food Workers are on safety net programs
- \$7 billion/ year
- \$61/ year from each household
- Yearly worker compensation **\$15,080**
- Average Age: 28
- Fast Food Profit+CEO Pay:
  - McDonalds=\$5.5 billion/ year
  - CEO=13.7 Million/ year
  - CEO of YUM! Brands=\$14million/ year
  - Wendy's 650 million
  - CEO= 5.5 million/ year

# The Petition

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- Gradually raises the minimum wage to \$10.50 by 2016 and then ties it to the Consumer Price Index
- Tipped minimum wage will increase from \$2.63/ hour to \$4.15/ hour in 2015, and \$6.30/ hour in 2016

# Earned Sick Time

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- Currently 1 million workers in the Commonwealth could lose their jobs for staying home sick.
- The petition would allow all MA workers to earn 1 hour of sick leave for every 30 hours worked. If the business has 11 or more workers than this must be paid time off.

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# Discussion Questions

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1. How does the church usually try to solve social problems?
2. Are these solutions working?
3. Do you know anyone who is, or are you, struggling with low-wages in a high cost world?
4. What is oppression in the modern world?
5. As the body of Christ, what is our obligation to the poor and the powerless?