

CHURCH FINANCES AS OF February 2023
MONTHLY FINANCIAL REVIEW

January Income \$24,871.47
January Expenses \$37,248.84
Month Ending - 12,377.37

February Income \$27,600.41
February Expenses \$33,710.61
Month Ending - 6,110.20

At month end, we are at a

Negative \$6,110.20 (BUDGET VS ACTUAL)

January – February we are at a Negative \$18,487.57
(UNDESIGNATED INCOME VS EXPENSE)

YEAR TO DATE (January – December)
WE ARE ONLY AT A NEGATIVE \$2,465.32

BUILDING EXPENSES ALONE (January – February)
ARE AT A
NEGATIVE \$11,828.71

THE CHURCH AND ITS OFFICE RUNS TRANSPARENT, IF ANYONE HAS QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS ABOUT FINANCES REACH OUT TO THE OFFICE MANAGER, JOYCE. YOU CAN REACH HER BY - STOPPING IN THE OFFICE DURING NORMAL OFFICE HOURS WHICH ARE MONDAY – FRIDAY FROM 10-2, BY CALLING HER AT 724-863-4977 OR BY EMAIL AT joyce.shaffer@irwinfirstumc.org.



SALVATION ARMY DIRECT NUMBER - 724-331-7832. If you know of anyone in need of our services please do not hesitate to call.



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Rev. Bruce R. Judy, Pastor - 724-747-6098 (call or text)

Dianne Runser - Music Ministries

Ronald Slavin - Youth Ministries

Laura Willby - Contemporary Music Coordinator

April 9, 2023

Easter Sunday

Memory Verse - *Philippians 2:10,11*

“That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.”

GATHERING & WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

L: The peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

MOMENTS OF INFORMALITY

THE MISSION AND MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

MUSIC OF PREPARATION

“Easter Medley”

EASTER DRAMA

Jesus (Jason Kirsch), Angel (John Simpson), Mary (Zoey Furin)

***CALL TO WORSHIP No. 541 (Bible)**

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

L: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures for ever!

P: Let Israel say, “His steadfast love endures for ever.”

L: The Lord is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation.

P: Hark, glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous: “The right hand of the Lord does valiantly,

L: The right hand of the Lord is exalted, the right hand of the Lord does valiantly!”

P: I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord.

***CALL TO WORSHIP (continued)**

L: The Lord has chastened me sorely, but he has not given me over to death.

P: Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

L: This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.

P: I thank thee that thou hast answered me and hast become my salvation.

L: The stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner.

P: This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

L: This is the day which the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

***HYMN No. 302**

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

CHILDREN'S CHAT

CHILDREN'S OFFERING

The Children's Offering for the month of April will be going to a local mission.

CONFIRMATION

10:45 a.m.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

10:45 a.m.

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Risen from Eternal Death" - Chancel Choir

WORD OF GOD

Colossians 3:1-4

PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERING

***OFFERTORY**

"Come Away to the Skies"

***LENTEN DOXOLOGY No. 2026**

Halle, Halle, Halleluja! (3 times)

Halleluja! Halleluja!

"Halle, Halle, Halleluja!"

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKS**

***HYMN No. 314**

"In the Garden"

JOYS AND CONCERNS

For our joys we say: "Praise the Lord"

For our concerns we say: "Lord hear our Prayers"

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. AMEN

***GOSPEL READING**

Matthew 28:1-10

SERMON

"The Proclamation!"

***HYMN No. 327**

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

***BENEDICTION**

***MUSIC OF PARTING**

"Sunrise Praise"



ASSISTING WITH TODAY'S SERVICE

Worship Host - Robbyn Slavin

Music Leader - David Lyons

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK AT FUMC

Saturday Evening - 23

Sunday - 8:15 a.m. - 71 10:45 a.m. - 95

Facebook, YouTube, Zoom - 12

*** PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE.**

Looking ahead: Below you will find the upcoming Gospel readings for the next two weeks:

April 16: *John 20:19-31*

April 23: *Luke 24:13-35*

LOST AND FOUND

There is a black, XL Ororo coat hanging in the coat room, between the Narthex and the June Coons Room. If it is yours, please grab it and take it home.

Wendell's Vision

Could you use some assistance with those pesky tasks at your place? Maybe you just need some help redden' up around your place. Great, we might be able to help with that!

Wendell's Vision is a ministry where volunteers from our church can check off those "To-do list" items from around your house. For you folks who attend Irwin First UMC regularly there may be hope in your future...so get those pencils ready to check off some tasks.

To start the process, you will want to fill out a request form. They can be found in the June Coons Ministry Center on our ministry station. Take one, fill in the information, and return it to the church office. All requests are vetted and if approved, are passed on to us. We will then contact you for an evaluation visit to discuss the task(s) and possible timeline. Some projects/tasks may be out of our expertise, but we'll only know if you make a request. Our volunteers are dedicated to doing the best they can to make your situation better. But we are limited by availability, experience, skill sets and having the right tools for the job. With that in mind, we are always welcoming more volunteers to the cause. If you might be ready to answer the call to this ministry, please let us know by filling out a form from our ministry station (next to the request forms) and turn it in at the church office.

People need help with those tasks that they just can't do any longer, are too dangerous to attempt, lost the person who always did it in the past, just need assistance, just don't want to do that anymore or maybe, just can't afford to pay someone to do it. Many reasons exist...but it doesn't change the "WHY", only that things need done!

Let's work together to make a difference in our fellow believers' lives.

Coordinators, Patty & Jack Osterman

HOLY HUMOR SUNDAY

We will be celebrating Holy Humor Sunday at both services on the Sunday after Easter, April 16, 2023. What IS Holy Humor Sunday?

The idea behind it is that God played the greatest practical joke on the devil by raising Jesus from the dead. One website about this special Sunday states: Holy Humor Sunday services not only give Christians an opportunity for ongoing celebrations of the greatest miracle in human history - Jesus' resurrection - it also gives each of us an opportunity to celebrate, and give thanks for our own smaller resurrections in this world and this life.

From time to time in our earthly lives, many of us have been dead - from illness, depression, physical injuries, emotional wounds, the loss of loved ones, financial losses - and yet have come alive and endured while looking forward to the Great Resurrection.

Laughter releases tension and we have enough of that these days. We all need to stop taking ourselves so seriously. We need to recognize that this is really God's world and He has so much in store for us. We put too much emphasis on what's wrong and what's bad with it.

As part of the festivities, we are proclaiming April 24 as Holy Humor Hat Day. We are asking everyone in attendance to wear SOMETHING on your head and the BRIGHTEST COLORED CLOTHING in your closet. Feel free to be as silly as you can. This is a chance for everyone to relax, smile, even (GASP!) LAUGH in church! Celebrate the joy we find in our faith! Remember – laughter is the best medicine!

Upcoming Events

Mystery Purse Auction: April 23, 2023, 12:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. Donate purses stuffed with goodies to the office or Robbyn by April 16, 2023. For more information see Robbyn Slavin.

Mother Daughter Banquet: Will be held on May 21, 2023, more information will be available soon.



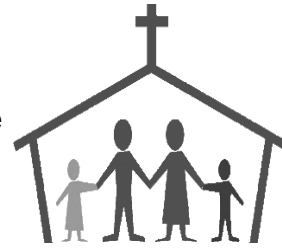
Anybody Welcome

The Sanctuary is open and available for prayer and meditation.

Monday - Friday 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Please sign in and out on the volunteer sheet found on the office half door.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP - If you would like to become a member of Irwin First United Methodist Church, now is your chance! Please contact Pastor Bruce (724-747-6098) or the church office (724-863-6858) and let us know you are interested.



BLESSING BOX - We stock our Blessing Box with toiletry items for those who are in need of them in our community. The need at this time is very great and we hope you can help. If you have donations of new items such as toothpaste and toothbrushes, shampoo and conditioner, bath soap, deodorant or any personal hygiene items, please bring them to the church when you come for Saturday or Sunday services. Please be sure that all items are new and in their original packaging. If you have any questions about the Blessing Box, please contact Pastor Bruce or Ron. Additional Blessing Boxes are located in Irwin at the First Assembly of God Church on Oak Street (canned goods) and at the Cheesecake Café on Main Street (books.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Camp:** It is time to start planning your church camp experience! Brochures are available on the NOW table in the June Coons Room and information is available online. There are camps for children, youth, and adults at Jumonville, Wesley Woods, and Camp Allegheny. Our church will now pay 50% of the camp cost for members of our church and for persons attending here. Register and have a great time at camp! If you have any questions, contact Debbie Weaver.
- **Safe Sanctuary Training:** If there is anyone in need, there will be a training held on Wednesday, April 12, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. Open to all. Contact the church office or Ron, if you are interested.
- **If you would like more information about the state of our church regarding disaffiliation, you can visit this website: askumc.com or visit the conference website to find the link: www.wpaumc.org**
- **Lenten Bible Study - "Jesus' Farewell Message"** started March 8, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. ends on Wednesday, April 12, 2023.



Confirmation and New Members

We would like to recognize Emma Rominski, Sophia Platt, and Michael Andrison for getting confirmed today.

We would also like to recognize Rose Coffman for being received into membership today.

God loves you and so do we!

THIS WEEK AT IRWIN FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Feel free to contact Pastor Bruce at any time if you are in need of pastoral care.

His contact information is as follows: 724-747-6098 (call or text) -
preacherptl@gmail.com

Sunday, April 9 - Easter Sunday

6:50 a.m. - Community Sunrise Service (Hillcrest Intermediate school)
8:15 a.m. - Worship Service
10:45 a.m. - Worship Service

Monday, April 10

Office closed

11:00 a.m. - United Methodist Women
7:00 p.m. - Dartball
7:00 p.m. - Zoom Prayer Group Meeting
Zoom Meeting ID#: 311 4389 930, Password: 3U22u3

Tuesday, April 11

8:00 a.m. - Senior Activity Center
6:00 p.m. - Basketball
7:00 p.m. - Trustees
7:30 p.m. - NA

Wednesday, April 12

8:00 a.m. - Senior Activity Center
10:00 a.m. - Quality Control meeting
1:00 p.m. - Bible Study
Zoom Meeting ID# 894 9312 8220, Password: 104289
5:00 p.m. - Youth Group
6:00 p.m. - Safe Sanctuary Training
6:00 p.m. - TOPS
6:00 p.m. - Lenten Bible Study
7:00 p.m. - AA

Thursday, April 13

8:00 a.m. - Senior Activity Center
6:00 p.m. - Basketball
6:00 p.m. - Girl Scouts
6:15 p.m. - Cathedral Bells
6:30 p.m. - NA
7:15 p.m. - Choir

Friday, April 14

9:00 a.m. - Food Bank truck

Saturday, April 15

8:00 a.m. - Food Bank
6:00 p.m. - Contemporary Worship

Sunday, April 16 - Holy Humor Sunday

8:15 a.m. - Worship Service
10:45 a.m. - Worship Service
12:15 p.m. - Temple Chimes
6:30 p.m. - Volleyball

HOSPITAL CALLS AND VISITS - If you or someone you know is in the hospital or would like a visit from Pastor Bruce, please call the office or you may call/message Pastor Bruce directly at 724-747-6098. *Remember, Pastor Bruce cannot provide care to our congregation if he does not know there is a need.*

IN PERSONAL CARE AND REHABILITATION FACILITIES



Lois K. - Ridgeview Residential Care, Wanda H. - Walden View; Norma, Mary Greene & James R., Sr. - St. Anne's Home, Greensburg; Altozoe S. - Hempfield Manor.

CONTINUOUS PRAYER

Pam T., Abbie, Bill K., Burnetta G., Brent L., Carol A., Cindy M., Cliff R., Daryl S., Diane B., Harry A., Heather, Jackie S., James B., Jane W., Jeret B., Jen, Jill F., John B., John D., John and Cheryl M., Joyce T., Judy, Kate G., Kathy S., Keith C., Kent G., Larry, Maria B., Marlin P., Marybeth H., Mary, Megan S., Megan Y., Mike P., Molly A., Nedra G., Pat M., Patty W., Paula, Penny, Renee, Rick and Mary Ann C., Ron M., Robert, Rose H., Roy, Rue, Sandye C., Shirley B., Sheila L., Terry and Deb Y., VI N., Virginia I., William

Missionaries: Bob & Natalie F. and Family (India), John and Diane K. (Mexico) and Connie Wieck.

If there is a name you would like added to the prayer list, please contact the office at 724-863-6858.

THIS MONTH'S PRAYER LIST

We will change the prayer list the first Sunday of each month. Please contact the church office with names for the list.

Nancy , John, Anne D., Craig C., Debbie W., Denise D., Ed C., Ethel R., Family of Mary U., Jennifer G., Kathy U., Ken B., Kristen H., Kristi S., Jameson W., Justin H., Jonathan and Felicia W., Linda H., Marlene W., Pam K., our world, Military and First Responders, our Country and Leaders, job situations and those traveling.

MILITARY PERSONNEL

Joe P., William R., Tanner G., Tim N., Brandon D., Colby S., Angelo W., Nicholas P., David J., Amanda M., James G., Emery M., Makayla L., Mark R., Sara D., Jeremy L., Carl B., Dylan A., Thomas C. and Edward J. III.

Praise the Lord!