

CHURCH FINANCES AS OF MARCH 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

March Income \$25,079.10
March Expenses \$24,824.56
Month Ending 254.54

April Income \$29,003.75
April Expenses \$41,741.07
Month Ending -12,737.32

At month end, we are at a
Negative \$12,737.32 (BUDGET VS ACTUAL)

January - April we are at a Negative \$30,970.35 (UNDESIGNATED INCOME VS EXPENSE)
BUILDING EXPENSES ALONE (January - April)
ARE AT A
NEGATIVE \$23,337.05

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS FEEL FREE TO CALL OR
STOP BY THE OFFICE AND SEE JOYCE.
joyce.shaffer@irwinfirstumc.org or call 724-863-6858

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.



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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

May 21, 2023

Memory Verse - John 14:1

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me."

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 "I've Got Peace Like a River" - Cathedral Bells

***CALL TO WORSHIP No. 766**

Psalm 32:1-5

L: Blessed are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.
P: Blessed are those whom the Lord does not hold guilty, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.
L: When I did not declare my sin, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long.
P: For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.
L: I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord"; then you forgive the guilt of my sin.



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

***HYMN No. 312** "Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise"

CHILDREN'S CHAT

CHILDREN'S OFFERING

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

SPECIAL MUSIC "Our Hearts Desire"

WORD OF GOD *II Samuel 11:2-4*

PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERING

***OFFERTORY** "Through Faith, the Victory"

***DOXOLOGY No. 2026** "Halle, Halle, Halleluja!"
Halle, Halle, Halleluja! (3 times)
Halleluja! Halleluja!

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKS**

***HYMN No. 2070** "He Is Exalted"

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** Acts 7:55-8:1a, 9:1-2

SERMON "God Can Still Use You!"
Bonnie Judy

***HYMN No. 2282** "I'll Fly Away"

***BENEDICTION**

***MUSIC OF PARTING** "Recessional"



Altar Flowers



The flowers on the altar are in memory of Jim, from Barb Worthington.

ASSISTING WITH TODAY'S SERVICE

Worship Host - Robbyn Slavin

Music Leader - David Lyons

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK AT FUMC

Saturday Evening - 22

Sunday - 8:15 a.m. - 49 10:45 a.m. - 87

Facebook, YouTube, Zoom - 11

Praise the Lord!

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

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



We are looking for volunteers to help with a deep cleaning of the first two floors of the church.

Jobs include light duty and heavy lifting.

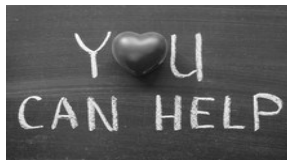
Cleaning will take place the week of June 26 - June 30
Anytime that you can help between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
SIGN UP SHEET LOCATED IN SANCTUARY

Please call the church office to sign up and help out!
Your dedication to the church is greatly appreciated.

- Anyone willing to help out with maintenance work around the church, please contact the office and let us know.

Blessing Box

Our blessing box items are limited. We need help to replenish our inventory, so we may continue helping our community members that are in need of basic hygiene items. If you are able to donate any items you may bring the items church with you on Sundays or give the office a call to arrange a time for drop off.



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.



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.
- **Graduation Sunday will be June 11, 2023, during the second service!** Please contact the office or Robbyn to provide name, school, high school or college and future plans. We would also like to collect pictures for a slide show! All information is due by June 4, 2023. Contact the office if you have any question.

Greater Irwin Area Dart Ball League News

With a rather dismal 2021-2022 season, Irwin Methodist ended the season with the worst league record. (Remember the Turkey Trophy?) Well, that became a catalyst for a renewed team spirit in the recent 2022-2023 season. Irwin Methodist bounced back with the Second best league winning percentage this year!

The power hitting was exemplified by a league leading 58 home-run season by a team member (John Doe) and the second leading league home-run leader with 47 home-runs, Don Swanson (a perennial home-run slugger). Double digit 20+ home-runs by Lou Berta (29), Tim Saporito (28), Bob Weaver (24), Tony Scozio (23), and Jack Osterman (20). As well as double digit home-runs by Tom Lehner (14), and Asher Rose (13). They all contributed heavily to the team's resurgence. Additionally, the up beat late season long term free agent signings of Mike Andrison and Michael Andrison gave the team the needed boost to finish the regular season on a powerful winning streak. The total team's chemistry continues to come forward as we develop our identity in the complex game of Dart Ball we try to master, as we look forward to the 2023-2024 season challenges.

Thank You for the great 2022-2023 season!

Wendell's Vision 2023 2nd edition

Wendell's Vision is a ministry where volunteers from our church can check off those "To-do lists" items from around your house. We have quite a few requests that have been vetted and approved. Some have been completed, while others are partially done. One is still awaiting a Building Permit for Irwin Borough. We will be scheduling visitations to evaluate the other requests soon. If you haven't filled your request out yet, please do so at your convenience so we can add them to our growing list.

*It's come to our attention about some confusion as to who could make requests. Don't hesitate if you need help around your place, let's see if we can assist... No restriction exists on income, marital status, skills & abilities, etc. You qualify if you are a member of FUMC Irwin and/or attend regularly worship service.

***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 time line. 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 the church office. We will add you to the contact list and as requests come in, we'll get in touch to all our volunteers to determine who may be available. 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 and make a difference.

Coordinators, Patty & Jack Osterman

"The Chosen" Bible Study

"The Chosen" Bible study is returning this summer! Even if you were unable to join us last summer, please consider being a part of this group!

When: Wednesday evenings at 7pm starting June 7 and going for 8 weeks

Where: At the church

What: A Bible study based on "The Chosen" TV series

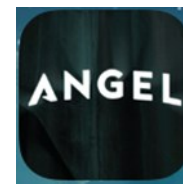
What you will need: Please order the book "*The Way Of The Chosen (Bible Study Guide Season 3)*" before this small group starts. (Suggested retailer: www.thechosengifts.com \$17.99)

Homework: Please watch Season 3, Episode 1 and complete the Introduction and Lesson 1 in the book before our first session on June 7 (Note: If you haven't watched Seasons 1&2 yet, please watch them first before watching Season 3...and yes, there will be homework every week.)

How: Please email Laura Willby at laurawillby@gmail.com or text/call at (724)-454-8422 to let me know that you will be participating

"The Chosen" is a multi-season show based on the life of Jesus. In order to participate in this Bible study, you will need to be able to view the episodes of "The Chosen". If you haven't watched Seasons 1&2 yet, please watch them before starting Season 3. You can watch "The Chosen" in one of these three ways:

- by downloading the Angel app or The Chosen app onto your TV or device (for free) and then watch the episodes



- Search for the season and episode you want to view on YouTube (for example: search "the chosen season 2 episode 4")

- purchase the DVD/Bluray from www.thechosengifts.com

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, May 21

8:15 a.m. - Worship Service
10:45 a.m. - Worship Service
12:30 p.m. - Mother/Daughter Banquet
6:30 p.m. - Volleyball

Monday, May 22

6:30 p.m. - Cub Scouts

Tuesday, May 23

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

Wednesday, May 24

8:00 a.m. - Senior Activity Center
12:30 p.m. - Blood Drive
6:00 p.m. - TOPS
7:00 p.m. - Zoom Prayer Group Meeting
Zoom Meeting ID#: 311 4389 930, Password: 3U22u3
7:00 p.m. - AA

Thursday, May 25

8:00 a.m. - Senior Activity Center
3:30 p.m. - Senior Activity Center Board meeting
6:00 p.m. - Basketball
6:30 p.m. - NA

Friday, May 26

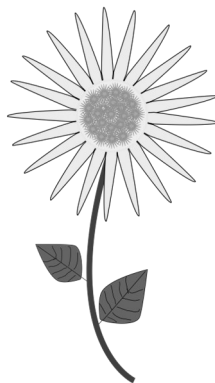
6:00 p.m. - Community Dinner

Saturday, May 27

6:00 p.m. - Contemporary Worship

Sunday, May 28

8:15 a.m. - Worship Service
Pancake Breakfast
10:45 a.m. - Worship Service



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



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

CONTINUOUS PRAYER

Abbie, Andrea M., Burnetta G., Brent L., Catherine M., Carol A., Chris W., Cindy M., Cliff R., Daryl S., David R., Diane B., Floyd H., Heather, Jackie S., James B., Jane W., Jeret B., Jen, Jill F., John B., John D., John and Cheryl M., Judy, Kate G., Kathy S., Keith C., Kent G., Larry, Lori P., Maria B., Marlin P., Marybeth H., Mary, Megan S., Megan Y., Mike P., Molly A., Nedra G., Pam K., Pam T., Pat M., Patty W., Paula, Penny, Renee, Rick and Mary Ann C., Ralph W., 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

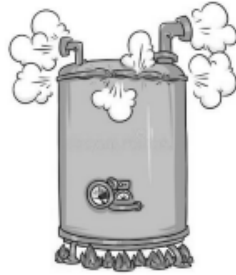
We will change the prayer list the first Sunday of each month. Please contact the church office with names for the list.

Nancy, John, Anne D., Craig C., Denise D., Ethel R., Francis family, Jennifer G., Kathy U., Ken B., Kevin G., Kristen H., Kristi S., Jameson W., Justin H., Jonathan and Felicia W., Linda H., Marlene W., Wayne H., 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.

FUMC Steam Boiler Fundraiser



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The Steam Boiler Maintenance & Repair program is being proposed by Elite Heating, who has been working with us to keep our boiler operating. This program is targeted to cut down on future repairs and involves taking apart the boiler to clean the unit thoroughly and repair a couple of leaks in two separate cells in the boiler. We are asking for donations within our church and community to help continue our mission:

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Please contribute what God is calling you to help us with our Steam Boiler Fundraiser. You can either fill out the information on the bottom of the form and drop it off in the church office or offering plate and/or contribute online by credit card at <https://www.irwinfirstumc.org/fundraisers> . **Each donation will be matched through our capital improvements matching fund previously established by one of our benefactors.** Thank you.

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