

# THE UNITED MESSENGER

## FIFTEENTH STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## DONATION UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY, 9:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M., TUESDAY - THURSDAY, 9:00 A.M.-3:00 P.M.

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February, 2025

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### From the Pastor..., February Devotional

And now these three remain: faith, hope, and love. But the greatest of these is love." —1 Corinthians 13:13

February is often associated with love, and as Christians and United Methodists, we are reminded that love is central to our faith. Paul's words in 1 Corinthians 13 call us to a love that reflects God's heart—a love that is patient, kind, selfless, and enduring.

In a world that often prioritizes quick gratification and superficial connections, God calls us to embody a deeper kind of love. This love is not just for those who are easy to love but extends to our neighbors, our enemies, and even ourselves. It challenges us to forgive, to act with compassion, and to see each person as a beloved child of God. Love is more than a feeling—it's a commitment and a calling. As we move through this month and beyond, let us be intentional about living out God's love in all that we say and do. May we embody the greatest gift of all, so that others may see Christ in us.

This February, let us reflect on how we can practice Christ-like love in our daily lives. I challenge you each week in February to find one new way to show love to someone in your community. It could be a handwritten note, volunteering your time, or simply offering a listening ear. Let love be your guide in all things. Whether it's through a kind word, an act of service, or standing up for someone in need, our actions can be a testimony to the God who first loved us.

pray with me...

*Gracious God, Thank You for the gift of love that You pour into our hearts through Jesus Christ. Teach us to love as You love, with patience, kindness, and grace. Help us to forgive freely, give generously, and serve faithfully.*

*May Your love shine through us, bringing healing and hope to a world in need. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.*

Barb Servello, Pastor

### DONATION / FIFTEENTH STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCHES

#### WORSHIP SCHEDULE FEBRUARY, 2025

February 2, 2025

Fourth Sunday After Epiphany

Scripture Lessons – Jeremiah 1:4-10 NRSV; Psalm 71:1-6 NRSV;

1 Corinthians 13:1-13 NRSV; Luke 4:21-30 NRSV

Sermon To Be Announced – Debbie Lear, Certified Lay Speaker

February 9, 2025

Fifth Sunday After Epiphany

Scripture Lessons – Isaiah 6:1-8, (9-13) NRSV; Psalm 138 NRSV;

1 Corinthians 15:1-11 NRSV; Luke 5:1-11 NRSV

Sermon To Be Announced – Debbie Lear, Certified Lay Speaker

February 16, 2025

Sixth Sunday After Epiphany

Scripture Lessons – Jeremiah 17:5-10 NRSV; Psalm 1 NRSV;

1 Corinthians 15:12-20 NRSV; Luke 6:17-26 NRSV

Sermon To Be Announced – Donation UMC – Debbie Lear, Certified Lay Speaker  
15th Street UMC – Pastor Jackie Clabaugh

February 23, 2025

Seventh Sunday After Epiphany

Scripture Lessons – Genesis 45:3-11, 15 NRSV; Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40 NRSV;

1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50 NRSV; Luke 6:27-38 NRSV

Sermon – "Are You Listening?"



## DECEMBER, 2024 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

					<u>INCOME VS EXPENSE</u>	
	<u>ACTUAL INCOME</u>		<u>ACTUAL EXPENSES</u>		<u>YEAR TO DATE</u>	
		<u>YEAR</u>		<u>YEAR</u>		
	<u>DECEMBER</u>	<u>TO DATE</u>	<u>DECEMBER</u>	<u>TO DATE</u>	<u>PLUS</u>	<u>MINUS</u>
<u>CURRENT INCOME</u>	\$24,808.09	\$217,802.47				
<u>CURRENT EXPENSES</u>			\$18,433.33	\$220,759.38		
						-\$2,956.91
<u>BENEVOLENCE INCOME</u>	\$2,434.00	\$9,338.49				
<u>BENEVOLENCE EXPENSES</u>			\$5,383.45	\$9,338.49		
					\$0.00	\$0.00
<u>TRUSTEE INCOME</u>	\$1,428.23	\$24,465.23				
<u>TRUSTEE EXPENSES</u>			\$1,428.23	\$24,465.23		
					\$0.00	\$0.00
<u>COMBINED INCOME</u>	\$28,670.32	\$251,606.19				
<u>COMBINED EXPENSES</u>			\$25,245.01	\$254,563.10		

The actual CURRENT income figure of \$24,808.09 for December, 2024, includes a withdrawal amount of \$5,080.42 closing out the JOHN POWELL ACCOUNT, plus endowment earnings from several MERRILL LYNCH ACCOUNTS in the amount of \$4,704.30 to compensate for the declining income to assist with everyday operating expenses for the church.

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### SPECIAL OFFERING FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

February 4, 2025 Cash Day  
This offering helps cover heating and cooling utilities.

February 18, 2025 Blanket Sunday  
Your gift enables Church World Service to provide blankets for people in times of emergency, war, natural disaster or famine.

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15th Street United Methodist Church

### BIRTHDAYS

February 1 Marcus Stratton	February 16 Pastor Barb Servello
February 2 Mike Sellers	February 20 Tim Riley
February 2 Jared Zeek	February 22 Jean Feagley
February 10 Louise Mateer	February 27 Norene Greenleaf

### ANNIVERSARIES

February 9 Mike and Cindy Knott	February 14 Bob and Sue Glenney
February 17 Ed and Virginia Mansberger	
February 23 Richard and Tina Laird	

Donation United Methodist Church

### BIRTHDAYS

February 4 Bill Thomas	February 11 Nora Moore
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### ANNIVERSARIES

February 14 Steve and Nora Moore	February 26 Tom and Crystal Workinger
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### SPECIAL OFFERINGS FOR DECEMBER

Adopt-A-Family (amount remaining)	\$ 11.45
Adopt-A-Family	\$ 258.55
Christmas Offering-Benevolent Homes	\$ 45.00
Cookie Walk/Soup Sale-Benevolence	\$ 2,180.00
Forum Fuel	\$ 115.00
Forum Of Churches Sign	\$ 90.00
Heifer Project International	\$ 247.00
Rise Against Hunger	\$ 2,120.45
Sandwich Sale (Donation UMC)	\$ 316.00

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### FUNDS RECEIVED THROUGH OUR BENEVOLENCE GIVING FOR CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS

Crossroads Pregnancy	\$ 272.50
Forum Of Churches	\$ 272.50
Huntingdon County Drop-In	\$ 272.50
Huntingdon Food Pantry	\$ 272.50
Huntingdon House	\$ 272.50
Meals On Wheels	\$ 272.50
PRIDE	\$ 272.50
Ricky's Wheels	\$ 272.50
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,180.00</b>



# FEBRUARY 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Blanket Sunday contributions, for Church World Services, will be observed all month.			15th Street UM Church 9:30 a.m.-Sunday School / 10:45 a.m.-Worship  Donation UM Church 9:15 a.m.-Worship / 10:45 a.m.-Sunday School		FOOD BANK ITEM FOR FEBRUARY HAND SOAP	1
2 Debbie Lear Preaching At Donation and 15th Street UMC	3 6:00 p.m. Trustee Meeting	4	5:45 p.m. Bell Choir 6:30 P.M. Chancel Choir	6	7	8
- Pastor Barb and Jack On Vacation -						
9 Debbie Lear Preaching At Donation and 15th Street UMC	10	11 6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir 8:00 p.m. Bell Choir	12 5:45 p.m. Bell Choir 6:30 P.M. Chancel Choir	13	14 <i>Happy Valentine's Day</i>	15
- Pastor Barb and Jack On Vacation -						
16 Debbie Lear Preaching At Donation UMC  Pastor Jackie Clabaugh Preaching At 15th Street UMC	17 6:00 p.m. Administrative Council Meeting Donation UMC	18	19 5:45 p.m. Bell Choir 6:30 P.M. Chancel Choir	20	21	22
23	24	25	26 5:45 p.m. Bell Choir 6:30 P.M. Chancel Choir	27	28	

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# FEBRUARY

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**WE LOVE BECAUSE HE FIRST LOVED US. 1 JOHN 4:19**