

CHURCH FINANCES as of October 2022

July Income \$29,930.59
July Expenses \$18,023.85
Month Ending **11,906.74**

August Income \$27,131.62
August Expenses \$24,792.13
Month Ending **2,339.49**

September Income \$22,156.17
September Expenses \$31,725.17
Month Ending **-9,569.00**

October Income \$28,243.65
October Expense \$17,878.15
Month Ending **\$10,365.50**

At the End of **October**, we are at a

Positive \$10,365.50 (BUDGET VS ACTUAL)

Year to Date we are at a **Positive \$12,905.40 (INCOME VS EXPENSE)**

THE CHURCH AND ITS OFFICE RUNS TRANSPARENT, IF ANYONE HAS QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS ABOUT FINANCES REACH OUT TO THE OFFICE MANAGER. 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.

“Raise the Roof” Campaign
balance as of November 15, 2022, is
\$14,318

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.



First United Methodist Church

310 Oak Street, Irwin, PA 15642

724-863-6858

www.irwinfirstumc.org

office@irwinfirstumc.org Like us on Facebook

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

Dianne Runser - Music Ministries

Ronald Slavin - Youth Ministries

Laura Willby - Contemporary Music Coordinator

November 20, 2022

Christ the King Sunday

Memory Verse - Matthew 5:44

“But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you.”

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 “Come, Thou Almighty King” - Temple Chimes

***CALL TO WORSHIP No. 740**

Psalm 3

L: O Lord, how many are my foes! Many are rising against me;

P: **Many are saying of me, “There is no help for him in God.”**

L: But you, O Lord, are a shield about me, my glory, and the lifter of my head.

P: **I cry aloud to the Lord who answers me from his holy hill.**

L: I lie down and sleep; I wake again, for the Lord sustains me.

P: **I am not afraid of ten thousand people who have set themselves against me on every side.**

L: Arise, O Lord! Deliver me, O my God!

***CALL TO WORSHIP CONTINUED**

P: For you strike all my enemies on the cheek, you break the teeth of the wicked.

L: Deliverance belongs to the Lord; your blessing be upon your people!

ALL: Amen

***HYMN No. 73 (vs. 1,3 and 4)**

“O Worship the King”

CHILDREN’S CHAT

CHILDREN’S OFFERING

The Children’s Offering for the month of November will be going to a local mission. October’s monies went to Irwin Fire Department.

SPECIAL MUSIC

“A Thanksgiving Chorale”- Chancel Choir

WORD OF GOD

Colossians 1:11-14, 18-20

PRESENTATION OF GOD’S TITHES AND OUR OFFERING

***OFFERTORY**

“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come” - Cathedral Bells

***DOXOLOGY**

**“For the gift of creation, for the gift of your love,
And the gift of the Spirit by which we live,
We thank you and give you the fruit of our hands.
May your grace be proclaimed by the gifts that we give.”
Amen.**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKS**

***HYMN No. 2036**

“Give Thanks”

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**

Luke 23:33-45

SERMON

“Remember Whose You Are”

***HYMN No. 102 (vs. 1 and 3)**

“Now Thank We All Our God”

***BENEDICTION**

***MUSIC OF PARTING**

“We Plow the Fields and Scatter”



Altar Flowers



The flowers on the altar are in memory of Edith Fallavollita, my friend from Toni Fetter.

ASSISTING WITH TODAY’S SERVICE
Worship Host - Robbyn Slavin

Music Leader - David Lyons

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK AT FUMC
Saturday Evening - 15
Sunday - 8:15 a.m. - 44 10:45 a.m. - 93
Facebook, YouTube, Zoom - 9

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



HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED

CPR, NARCAN and AED training will be provided to all staff and volunteers on **Tuesday, December 13, at 7:00 p.m.** here at the church. Cost for certification is \$40 per person and non-certification is \$20 per person. Volunteers can pay the day of the training and the payments will be collected by the trainer.

**Please call the church office to be added to the sign-up sheet.
724-863-6858**

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE BY CONTACTING REV. BRUCE JUDY



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

THANK YOU SHOUT OUT!

We would like to thank Joel Frye, Tom Lehner, Jeff Suggars and Jack Osterman for the lighting in the kitchen at the church to all LED bulbs. Well done men!

Wendell's Vision Ministry 2022

We will not be available from mid-November until mid-January except for a dire emergency.

Wendell's Vision is a ministry to provide assistance to home owners that can't otherwise do the task, whether physically or financially, or both. Wendell knew there was a need out there for his Christian brothers and sisters of Irwin First UMC. Now, we're here for you! We have a few outstanding requests that need to be completed as of this publication. So, if you've submitted a request, we will be in touch with you soon to schedule an evaluation visit and work time frame.

If you haven't remembered to pick a request form up you can do so in the June Coons Ministry Outreach Center at the *Wendell's Vision Ministry Station* or go online to the church website and print one out. We are continuing to pray for you in anticipation of the request. Let's work together to fulfill your wishes. No request is too small; however we need to hear from you first. Remember you must be a regular attendee of the Saturday or Sunday worship service of Irwin First United Methodist Church to qualify.

Check out the church website for the latest photos of the "Before & After" recently posted. All of our volunteers are waiting to get the email or call about how they can be **assisting you**. If you want to join them in the quest to help others and continue this blessed ministry, be sure to fill out a volunteer form.

Coordinators, Patty & Jack Osterman

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Staff Appreciation Love Offering: As a result of all their hard work and dedication, Irwin First Church continues to provide 43 ministries to Irwin and the surrounding communities. Every single day, they inspire us in their support with the mission of this Church. You can join us by showing your support with a staff appreciation "love offering" by using the enclosed envelope.

Disaffiliation meeting with the District Superintendent

When: Thursday, December 1, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.
Where: FUMC sanctuary



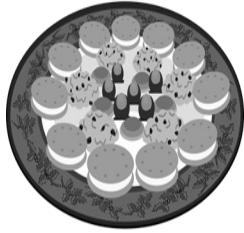
Only members in good standing can participate in the vote.

Disaffiliation information Anybody that is interested in the process of disaffiliation, there is information available in the church office. Further details will be provided when they become available.



The Methodist Women would like to thank the congregation for the support of the craft show, especially all the yummy bake sale items. We appreciate you all, your support and generosity will help us with missions helping women and children.
God loves you and so do we.

Irwin's Christmas Cookie Tour



Bring your family and friends to downtown Irwin on December 9, 2022 from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. for the annual Christmas Cookie Tour.

Make sure to stop here at the church for fresh cookies and a tour if you would like one! **Irwin First United Methodist Church** will be having an open house with a play by our youth group! Along with cookies, we will have lots of refreshments.



Christmas giveaway being held Saturday, December 17, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

Donations will be accepted one week prior to the giveaway.

Call the church office for donation drop offs. 724 863 6858.

All items welcome: toys, household items, Christmas decorations, clothing.



RADA CUTLERY FUNDRAISER

TODAY is the final day to turn in your RADA orders. Please place your order with payment in the slot on the office door. Thank you for your support of our camping program!

The NOW Committee is sponsoring a RADA Cutlery fundraiser for camperships. RADA has a large selection of kitchen utensils, soup mixes, dip mixes, cookbooks, etc. Order for yourself or for gifts. Christmas is coming! Invite your friends and family to order also. Catalogs and order forms are on the NOW table in the June Coons Room. Please return your completed form and check to the church by November 20th. Checks should be made to First United Methodist Church. It would be helpful if you could return your catalog, as we have a limited number. RADA pick-up day will be Sunday, December 11th at the church.

Questions? Contact Debbie Weaver 724-863-4236

2022 CHRISTMAS COOKIE TRAYS

As a fundraiser for the church, the NOW Committee would like to have a cookie sale during the Christmas season. We are currently looking for people who enjoy baking. We will take orders for cookie trays until December 4, 2022. Trays will be assembled on Saturday, December 17, so have your cookies at the church by that morning. Last year, this sale was a great success. We are fortunate to have so many bakers in our congregation!

If you are interested in helping out, sign up sheets are located in the sanctuary.

Trays will include a variety of homemade cookies (Warning: cookies may have been made in an area which was exposed to nuts.) Trays will be available for pick-up on Sunday, December 18. Payment due when you pick up your cookies, checks payable to the church.

ORDER DEADLINE: DECEMBER 4.

IRWIN MALE CHORUS CONCERT

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2022, 7:00 PM

Come and enjoy the concert. Bring your friends and neighbors. Cookies are needed for the reception. If you are able to donate cookies, you may bring them to the church on Sunday morning, December 4.



Would you like to help to decorate our church for the holidays? Instead of decorating all on one day (November 20, 2022), small groups will be decorating at various times during the week of November 20-26. Please sign for the area in which you would like to help and the chairperson of that committee will contact you. Please indicate any of the following: windows, wreaths (inside and outside), trees (sanctuary, parlor, gym and narthex), outside nativity.

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, November 20

8:15 a.m. - Worship Service
10:45 a.m. - Worship Service
6:00 p.m. - Volleyball

Monday, November 21

6:30 p.m. - Cub Scouts
7:00 p.m. - Dartball

Tuesday, November 22

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

Wednesday, November 23

10:30 a.m. - Blood Drive
10:00 a.m. - Quality Control Meeting
1:00 p.m. - Bible Study
7:00 p.m. - Zoom Prayer Group Meeting
Zoom Meeting ID#: 311 4389 930, Password: 3U22u3
7:00 p.m. - AA

Thursday, November 24 - Thanksgiving

OFFICE CLOSED

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Friday, November 25

OFFICE CLOSED

6:00 p.m. - Community Dinner
Have a great weekend!

Saturday, November 26

6:00 p.m. - Contemporary Service

Sunday, November 27

8:15 a.m. - Worship Service
10:45 a.m. - Worship Service
6:00 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

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

CONTINUOUS PRAYER

Renee, Judy, Heather, Matt, and Loraine F., Kristi R., Barbara G., Terry and Deb Y., Diana M., John D., Mike P., Kate G., Cindy M., Ed D., Betty Jo M., Eric S., Kathy S., Floyd, Rose D., Connie P., Jane, Rob F., Renee E., Finn, Sandy D., Connie B., Sandye C., Daryl S., Jamie, Peg and Lamont, Pat C., Marlene W., Al M., Jennifer H., Lilly, Ronnie L., Gary E., Molly A., Mary and Dan G., Maria B., Ed B., Jonathan and Felicia W., Bob and Judie M., Dorothy A., Patti W., Josh A., Donna W., Vi N., Sandy L., Linda K., Larry R., Jule K., Mark L., Brent L., Kurt W. & Family, Cheryl and John M., Tim and Diane N., Rick H., Marlin A. and Nancy P., Joe S., Joe L., Virginia, Jennifer N., Curt E., Valerie M., Jeff M., Donna H., John B., Dean and Dorothy, Rose N., Sara C., Fred and Barb S., Mischa and Suzanne S., Diane B., John G., Noah C., Craig C., Red, Dawn, Amy P., Chuck K., Pat M., Ashley, Stu S., Shawn S., Christa L., Rhonda, Beverly and Tom D., Laura, Dave W., Kim V., Dorothy A., Iva Lou B., Jackie S., Lesley K., Debbie N., Cliff R., Penny and Jerry M., Ron M., Father John Moineau, Shirley B., Brandon G. and **Missionaries:** Bob & Natalie F. and Family (India), John and Diane K. (Mexico) and Connie Wieck.

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.

Kathy U., Barb E., Jennifer G., Denise and Annie, Neil and Alma, 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!

We are selling Red FUMC T-Shirts to Help Raise our Roof!



The front left chest The back of t-shirt



The screen print will be white on the red t-shirts

Shirts will be \$20 each for sizes S-XL, \$21 for 2 XL, \$22 for 3XL and \$23 for 4XL.

Final shirts orders are due **Sunday, December 4** in order to have them for Christmas!

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

and Sizes of t-shirts ordered _____

Total Amount - Check or Cash Enclosed _____

Orders can be placed with Pastor Ron 724-691-7113, the Office 724-863-3804 or place in the weekly offering

God loves you and so do We!

We need your help! We at First United Methodist Church in Irwin have a tremendous facility that has been serving the Irwin and surrounding communities for over one hundred years. We presently have 47 Ministries existing within the body of FUMC utilizing talents in the way God is calling you to do. Our complete list is available at:

<https://www.irwinfirstumc.org/groups/committees/finance>

The challenge with our facility is keeping it in the condition necessary to continue to serve our community. Presently \$30,000 is needed to repair the slate on the main portion of the roof and replace 2 of our flat roofs. We are asking for donations within our church and community to help continue our mission:

"The First U.M. Church of Irwin exists to make disciples of Jesus Christ. We are a community of believers, centered on Christ, united by God's love, and empowered by the Holy Spirit"

Please contribute what God is calling you to help us with our Raise our Roof Campaign. 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.

God Loves You and So Do We!

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Donation Amount _____

Preview, Sunday, November 20



Nothing touches our lives which hasn't passed through the hand of God first. Believe it or not, it's true. The same can be said of every second of every minute for millennia. The truth of God's involvement is not dependent on a person's perception. You see, we must not believe in God. We must believe God.

Subtle phrase change. Massive difference in dynamic. Throughout this season we will witness how ordinary people living out their ordinary lives had an encounter with God in action. Did they realize it at the time? Or, was it reflected only in their remembrances? As is true for us, were they so intent on the commonplace that they failed to witness the extraordinary? Join us each of the next seven weeks as the Progressive Nativity unfolds, scene by scene, bringing fresh insight and inspiration. We invite you to peruse each display more closely. Take in the intricacies of the fine details which the nativity team incorporated. Allow yourself to become immersed in the old, old story and discover anew the radical, life changing circumstances wrought by God's intentional reaching towards mankind.

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