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Thoughts Along the Way from Pastor Mary Jo

Scripture calls the church to be the body of Christ. To be the essence of Christ in a world so in need. To be engaged in the work of the soul.

Ruth Haley Barton, author of Strengthening the Soul of Your Leadership, speaks of the individual soul this way.

“When I refer to the soul, I'm not talking about some ill-defined, amorphous, soft-around-the-edges sort of thing. I'm talking about that part of you that is most real -- the very essence of you that God knew before he brought you forth in physical form, the part that will exist after your body goes into the ground. This is the "you" that exists beyond any role you play, any job you perform, any relationship that seems to define you, or any notoriety or success you may have achieved. It is the part of you that longs for more of God...”

Jesus challenges us about the loss of our soul.

Then Jesus said to his disciples, “If any of you wants to be my follower, you must turn from your selfish ways, take up your cross, and follow me. If you try to hang on to your life, you will lose it. But if you give up your life for my sake, you will save it. And what do you benefit if you gain the whole world but lose your own soul? Is anything worth more than your soul? (Matthew 16:24-26 NLT)

As these next months unfold and the Visioning Process continues, may God speak to Athens First United Methodist Church. May she embrace more of God each day as revealed through Jesus Christ.

Please take the time to review the contents of the letter sent to you with the explanation of where the visioning process is and the summary of the survey.

Honor and Blessings,
Pastor Mary Jo

Administrative Council Adopts 2011 Budget

During its meeting on January 31, the Administrative Council adopted the proposed 2011 budget. You will find a copy at the end of this newsletter and also posted on the “Minutes” bulletin board outside the church office.

The process of putting the budget together includes requests made by the program areas as well as some of

the “nuts & bolts” areas (things like office supplies & utilities). Your Finance Committee is pleased that the level of giving will support every budget request submitted this year.

We thank the members of our Finance Committee for the work and prayer that went into this process: Wendy Merb-Brown, Chair; Shawn Ostermann, Jean Witkowski, Dan Smith, Aline Paxton, Rollie Swart, Kim Mather, and Greg Van Patten.

The Sympathy of the Congregation Is Extended to the family and friends of Fritz Wheaton on his passing, January 14, 2011, and to Bob Smith in the recent death of his sister.

Hand Sanitizers Added throughout the Building The black, hand sanitizer dispensers are located in all the restrooms and in areas where food is served. The sanitizer is foam, alcohol-free and waterless.

Hospitalizations – When We Know, We Go With all the new privacy and security regulations, it's more difficult than ever to know who is in the hospital. We encourage you to be sure and let us know when you or your loved ones are hospitalized. Pastor Mary Jo encourages you to contact her directly by calling the church office (593-3977, ext 15) or at (707-0898). She checks both voice mail systems regularly, even when she is out of town.

Sermons Broadcast Live on WATH Remember, if for some reason you can't be in worship on Sunday, tune in to WATH (970) at 11 a.m. and hear that portion of our service broadcast live on the radio. Sometimes they begin the broadcast at 10:30 a.m., so be sure to tune in a little early.

Parking on Sunday Mornings Parking in the Municipal Parking Garage is free on Sundays and elevators are available. Be sure to park in one of the metered spaces. If you have an OU Parking hang tag, either faculty/staff or retired, you may park in OU Lot 39 (the lot in front of the School of Music and Seigfred).

The Next Spire Deadline is February 24 If you have news for the February issue, please be sure to get it to the church by Thursday, February 24.

Prayer Chain If you have prayer requests, please call 593-7471 or 593-6853 to have your request placed on the church's Prayer Chain.

Copies of Newsletter Available at the Church A few copies are printed each month and are in the literature racks in the Narthex and by the Chapel entrance. It is always available to read from our web site.

Adult Ministry at Athens First The View from My Window

God be with Us 'til We Eat Again I have often jokingly referred to that as the United Methodist Theme Song. But, you know, there's really something to be said about the fellowship that occurs around the table when we share a meal together.

Our Council on Adult Ministries has felt God calling us to take a more serious look at different ways to nurture the adults of our congregation, and one of those ways is clearly through fellowship. So often we go about our busy lives and miss opportunities to meet new people, develop friendships, encourage one another, and, because we're so busy, fellowship opportunities usually don't happen spontaneously.

Thus the birth of an idea – **Reverse Progressive Dinners**. Yes, *God be with Us 'til*

We Eat Again! Hosted by various folks in our congregation, these gatherings will provide an opportunity for folks to gather in an informal setting to get to know each other better, and, hopefully, to have fun in the process. The host(s) provide the main dish, and everyone else will bring the side dishes.

We're in the process of lining up the hosts, and will soon post sign-up sheets. As soon as we work out all the details, we will publish the particulars, so be on the lookout via the weekly bulletin inserts, web site, email, etc.

If you would like to host a dinner, please get in touch with Lisa Dael (dael@ohio.edu) or me.

Blessings to you, and God be with you...

--Sharon Stoltzfus, Director of Adult Ministries

Learn-to-Knit Group Meets on Tuesdays Suzanna Theodoras invites you to join her on Tuesdays in the 1st Floor Lounge from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. each week. If you've never knitted, have a little experience, are quite experienced or somewhere in-between, this group is for you. Bring your own knitting supplies. Any questions, please give her at call at 592-4649.

New Testament Study Offered Starting February 16

A short term but in-depth, high-commitment study of the New Testament Scriptures will be offered for eight weeks beginning February 16. "Invitation to the New Testament" is a new series which is based upon the twenty years of experience from Disciple Bible Study. It follows the same expectations that participants will read substantial portions of Scripture on a daily basis; take notes; participate in group discussion; and be informed and inspired by hearing from Biblical scholars via a two part video component each week.

The group will be meet weekly on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. for a 90 minute session anticipating that a personal encounter with the Bible will call each one to more faithful discipleship. Leaders for this foundational study are Laura Dalton and David Maze.

There are just a few places remaining in the class so call the Church Office (593-3977) and make your reservation soon. (Child care is available).

One Plus the Power of You – February Readings Now Available If you're interested in following the Lectionary Scriptures for Sunday's worship, the January readings are now available – visit the tray next to Pastor Mary Jo's Office and in the last window on the Church Street side of the Sanctuary. She asks that you read through the Scriptures as often as possible, preferably each day, for the week preceding its assigned Sunday. Let's see what will happen by the power of the Holy Spirit when we participate in such a discipline. Honor and Blessings to you!

Sunday Scripture Texts for February As Pastor Mary Jo prepares the worship services and her sermons each week, she will select the Scripture readings from these passages. We offer these to you as you prepare for your worship experience:

Feb 6 Isaiah 58:1-9a; Psalm 112:1-10; I Corinthians 2:1-12; Matthew 5:13-20

Feb 13 Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Psalm 119:1-8; 1 Corinthians 3:1-9; Matthew 5:21-37

Feb 27 Isaiah 49:8-16a; Psalm 131; 1 Corinthians 4:1-5; Matthew 6:24-34

Feb 20 [Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18](#) [Psalm 119:33-40](#) [1 Corinthians 3:10-11, 16-23](#) [Matthew 5:38-48](#)

Taste of Athens Benefits Habitat *Taste of Athens – Battle of the Chefs* will be held February 26th, 6 PM at The Inn at Hocking College. Tickets: \$20 ea.; \$30 for two. You'll receive Sampling from all Chefs, Wine Tasting by Bella Vino, and access to Live and Silent auctions which include Week Condo stay in Key West; Free guided tour of Columbus Zoo; 4 Cincinnati Reds Tickets; Artisan Bread once a month, delivered; Many gift baskets and packages; drawing for 2009 VESPA LX150 Scooter (Great Valentine's Day Present!!)

Tickets available at the Habitat Office on Union (little red house – 592-0032). Buy early – don't be disappointed! Also, the Holzer Clinic will donate \$2 to Habitat for Humanity for each ticket sold.

Applebee's breakfast Earned \$1,063 for Habitat The benefit breakfast that Applebee's sponsored for Habitat for Humanity in January was a great success. The breakfast earned \$1,063.62 for Habitat, all of which will go toward construction of our next house. We are deeply grateful to Applebee's for offering us this opportunity. Their team is not only good at their job but also fun to work with. Thanks also to the many volunteers who helped as servers, dishwashers, and other tasks. Finally, Habitat is truly grateful to the many people who turned out to support Habitat through breakfast at Applebee's.



Children in Pre-School – 4th Grade: We hope you will join us in Fellowship Hall this Sunday at 9:30 for a special gathering and activity. We are going to get ready for Valentine's Day by designing and creating cards for our "Stay-At-Home" church friends. These are usually older folks who can't make it out to worship with us in bad weather or because of poor health. We want our friends to know that they are loved and remembered, so come out with your creativity ready to go! We are also looking forward to getting a few tips from Deb Murray on staying "heart healthy" and sharing a good-for-you snack. We hope to see you on February 6 at 9:30 AM in Fellowship Hall.

There will not be a noisy bucket Sunday this month. But stay tuned for details next month!

A couple of our Sunday school scholars had the chance to attend Winter Camp over the Christmas vacation. Here's what Kaeden Saunders had to say about his experience:

"I liked when we went ice blocking. Ice blocking is when you sit on an ice block and slide down a hill. My 2nd favorite thing was when we sang songs. My 3rd favorite thing was when we got hot chocolate and made crafts."

Sounds like a lot of fun! More information about Summer camping programs at Camp Otterbein will be coming this Spring. We'll share it when it becomes available.

-- Laura Dalton, Sunday School Superintendent at Athens First

Growing Tree Preschool

Whew! At Growing Tree, we're always relieved when the long, gray month of January is behind us. We've managed to survive some pretty serious cabin fever and are now looking forward to a fun and busy February. See below for all the details.



DATES	THEME	LETTER of the WEEK
January 31-February 4	"The Little Red Hen"	"Ww"
February 7-11	Valentine's Day Is Coming!	"Ii"
February 14-18	Let's Make Music!	"Ee"
February 22-25	Our Wonderful World, Maps, Travel, Transportation	No letter

Growing Tree will be celebrating Valentine's Day with special parties on Thursday, February 10 for the T/TH class and Friday, February 11 for the M/W/F class.

Growing Tree will be closed on Monday, February 21 in observance of President's Day.

We will begin accepting applications for Fall, 2011 enrollment on March 1. If you or someone you know is interested in a quality early childhood educational experience, rooted in a Christian atmosphere, please encourage them to contact Cathy Bigger for an application form and more information. Even though fall seems far away, Growing Tree tends to fill rather quickly so it's important to apply early.

Special thanks to Growing Tree mom Heather Warmke for making arrangements and facilitating the donation of our new sofa for the Reading Corner of the classroom. And, as always, thank you for your continuing support, encouragement and, most of all, your prayers for Growing Tree Preschool.

Have a wonderful month!

--Cathy Bigger, Growing Tree Director

PIECES OF LOVE



Send special reminders of your love by creating messages that people can assemble and enjoy.

What you need:

- Large wooden craft sticks
- Tape
- Permanent markers
- Scissors
- Zippered sandwich baggies

What you do:

1. Make a rectangle out of seven craft sticks by placing them next to one another, long side against long side.
2. Tape the sticks together.
3. Turn the sticks over and draw a special picture or message. You can include this Bible verse: "We love because he first loved us" (1 John 4:19, NIV).
4. Cut through the tape to separate each craft stick.
5. Put all the sticks in a baggie.
6. Give your special messages to family members, friends or teachers — along with directions for viewing them.



A LOVE LETTER

In the New Testament, John writes a letter about God's love and the love we should show to other people.

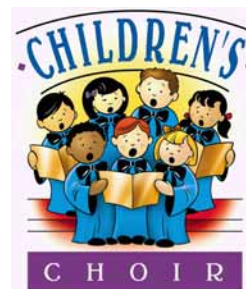
DIRECTIONS: Working from left to right, write down all the 1's in the word blanks. Continue with the 2's and finally the 3's. Then read about love, from 1 John 4:11-12, NIV.

lives 3	in 3	us 3	Since 1	and 3	God 1	so 1	loved 1	his 3
us 1	love 3	we 1	If 2	also 1	is 3	made 3	we 2	ought 1
to 1	love 2	love 1	one 1	complete 3	one 2	another 1	in 3	us 3
another 2	God 2							

1 John 4:11-12, NIV

Answers: Since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. If we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.

Calling All Children in Grades K – 6 Who Like to Sing! Children's Choir has resumed rehearsals and there's room for more singers!! They meet in the Chapel Sundays from 11:45 - 12:25 or so. Parents can sit back and enjoy our fun. They plan to sing in worship in March, on Mother's Day and possibly on Music Sunday. More details will follow. Come and join us if you wish for one or more of these worshipful experiences! If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Stephanie Morris, director, at 740-594-8068.



Youth News

www.firstumcathens.org/youth

Tailgait Party – Sunday - COME FOR SOME GRUB!!! Tailgating returns **February 6th** immediately after the 10:30 service in Fellowship hall. Youth and families will provide all kinds of goodies and beverages. Come support us by eating with us and giving a freewill offering, which will support the Spring Break Mission Trip. If you can't make it, you can still make a donation.

Youth and Family Ski Trip February 26 The FUMC youth are hitting the slopes at Winterplace again in February and this year we've decided to take along the whole family! We will go for the day on February 26th. Cost will be determined by how many participants we have so make your reservations early. Please call Meg Van Patten at 594-7308 or email her at vanpattenfamily@mac.com to let her know if you are interested. If you are a family without a youth, you are still welcome. We would love to members from our whole church family join us. **Deadline for registering is February 11, 2011.**

Are You Interested in a Midweek Bible Study? Are you interested in a mid-week Bible study this semester? Let me know you are interested and we'll figure out a date and time together! Call Kirstin at 279-363.

Look what's coming up for our combined youth groups:
High School: There's a lot of brokenness in the world around us. People are suffering, yet they put on masks to hide how they really feel. Some people come face to face with brokenness in a way they never expect. And the world hurts. Wars, violence, and power struggles, and even natural disasters cause catastrophes of huge proportions. So where is God in the midst of all this? And how does God's love mean anything in the world today? This retreat is themed *Irony*: A loving God in a hurting world. We'll be going to Marion, Indiana to talk to other students and youth pastors about these tough questions. The cost for this retreat is \$85. but the cost of late registration if you don't have your money and registration turned in by February 17th is \$100. The *Irony* date is **February 18-20**. I have registrations and release forms when you need them, just contact Anthony: nowyouthministries@gmail.com

Event Guide - Like TV Guide, but better!
February 6 - Super Bowl Youth Group! 5:30 - when it's over or your parents want to pick you up.
February 13 - **NO** *now* youth group - TPUMC - Valentine's banquet
February 18-20 - *Irony* High School retreat in Marion, Indiana
February 27 - 6:30-8 **NOW** Combined youth group at The Plains UMC

Radio Ministry Needs Sponsors for 2011

Through our radio ministry, much of our 10:30 worship service is broadcast live over WATH am radio every Sunday morning. This ministry reaches countless folks who are unable to leave their homes on Sunday mornings or are traveling. Those we know who listen weekly are mailed a bulletin so that they can follow along.

This ministry is made possible solely by the contributions of members and friends of the church. If you would like to participate in this ministry, please contact Sharon Stoltzfus at the Church Office (593-3977, ext. 11). A full sponsorship for 2011 is \$155, and full or partial sponsorship are always welcomed. Whatever you choose to give, just know what a blessing this ministry is to those who use it!

Radio Ministry Sponsorship

Yes, I/we want to participate.

Amount \$ _____

Memorial/Dedication (optional) _____

Name(s) _____



News from the Center

From Ally Ballentine, Our WSC Intern

www.firstumcathens.org/campus

Hello everyone! This quarter has been smooth and easy-going so far for WSC. We've continued to open our meeting with Taizé worship (which is still open to all who wish to join). Bible studies have generated great conversation with much depth. Recently we discussed different spiritual gifts with which we have been blessed and what it means to be a child of God. A couple weeks ago, we made cookies to lift the spirits of some in the community who were dealing with difficult and trying times. We hope to continue this form of agape in the future. We are looking to do another Midnight Breakfast later in the quarter. We were pleased with the success we had with the previous one, and are so thankful to all who came to help make it happen. We are so thankful for an amazing congregation that continues to support us! Thank you all so much!



A Year-End Report

As promised last month – our financial picture at the end of 2010:

\$431,042.96 Income for 2010
394,936.62 Expenses for 2010

\$ 36,106.34 Net gain for the year

The net gain for the year represents areas where we didn't spend what we had anticipated and giving that was beyond what we had projected.

For example, our utilities, while totaling \$32,342.77, were \$4,657.23

less than we had anticipated. Laity Salaries were \$7,333.91 less than budgeted because some staff vacancies were not filled. Our pledges exceeded what was pledged by \$4,011.62, and the non-pledged giving exceeded the anticipated amount by \$14,252.95.

A copy of this year-end financial report is posted on the "Minutes" bulletin board located outside the main church office if you'd like to take a look at the particulars. If you have questions, please feel free to speak with Wendy Merb-Brown, the chair of our Finance Committee; Gary Pfeiffer, Church Treasurer; or myself, Sharon Stoltzfus.

Light-Bulb Moment - Your Pledges Really Do Determine the Budget While I've worked at Athens First for almost 30 years, it wasn't until this fall, when I took over the role of Financial Secretary, that I really "got it" about pledges. That amount in our budget isn't an estimate; it's a hard figure – it is based solely upon the total of the pledge cards we receive. It is the major line item in the Income category. We don't add to it or subtract from it to get the figure we need to balance the budget.

I found working with the pledge cards to be a very humbling experience. As I handled each one, I sensed a personal element in them – they were not just numbers on a card. I sensed that much prayer and thought had gone into the pledging process, and, no matter the size, each was important. Thank you for participating in that process, all 117 of you.

And, not just those who pledge, but those who give without pledging also bless us, because without you, we wouldn't have enough to do all that God is calling us to do. You, too, have invested thought and prayer into your giving.

The entire process touches my heart, and I am thankful that it's more than just numbers – it's the love of Christ by the Body of Christ to do the work of Christ. May you be blessed as you continue to give in whatever ways possible throughout 2011.

–Sharon Stoltzfus, Director of Administration

**West Ohio Conference of the United Methodist Church
Our Connection to the World**

**This comes to us through "News.Net" an email publication by the West Ohio Conference
Communications Division:**

Summer Internships for College Under-graduates Over the last four years, 40 under-graduates have explored a call in ordained or vocational ministry as a West Ohio summer intern, thanks to the underwriting of individuals and congregations. If you are an **undergraduate member of a local UM church considering ministry**, apply for this 12 week leadership experience in a West Ohio local church. Local **churches wishing to host interns** may also apply. Click [here](#) for application and details.

Sometimes God's plan comes with delayed flights Ten volunteers from **Indian Run United Methodist Church** planned to spend a week in Haiti, helping to rebuild a church and bring cheer to local children. But when their flight was canceled, this church group from West Ohio ended up staying a few days longer, making the most of their experience by hearing testimonies of faith from earthquake survivors they would not have met otherwise. [More](#)

District Information Available on the Internet There are lots of things going on in our Foothills District. You can find the web site at: <http://www.foothillsdistrict.org>

Snow Closing Information In certain weather conditions it may become necessary to cancel worship services and other events. These are *always* cancelled if a state of emergency has been declared for Athens County. At other times it is done at the discretion of the leadership involved. In any event, cancellation information will be provided to WATH (970), WXTQ (105.5) and WOUB-FM (91.3) radio stations and will be posted on our answering system, at extension 3 or 15 and when possible, on our Web Site at this address: <http://www.firstumcathens.org/calendar>

Calendar Information Available 24/7 Remember, if you need to check on dates and times of church events, that information is available on our web site (www.firstumcathens.org/calendar) and also on the automated portion of our phone system (extension 3) - *available seven days a week, 24 hours a day*.

Have You Visited the Church's Web Site Lately? It's an easy way to keep up with what's happening at FUMC. We try to make sure we have new pages in the photo album shortly after events occur. Wesley Student Center has an extensive site under "Campus" - you can get a taste of what their ministry is all about. A copy of the current newsletter is always available to read, in addition to the weekly calendar of events. Lots more, too. Want your long-distance family and friends to know more about where you worship? Give them the address, too. Here it is: <http://www.firstumcathens.org>

February 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Home 30	31	1 12:00 PM AA	2 9:00 AM Korean Women's Prayer Group 7 PM Korean Worship 7:10 PM WSC Service & Study	3 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 9:00 AM UMW 9:00 AM Korean Women's Prayer Group 12:00 PM AA 12:00 PM FOCUS 5:30 PM Kappa Phi 6:00 PM AA	4 OU Parents' Weekend 9:00 AM Korean Women's Prayer Group 5:30 PM AA 6:00 PM Korean Students Bible Study	5 OU Parents' Weekend 6:00 PM AA
6 Youth Sunday 8:45 AM Worship 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship 11:30 AM Super Bowl Party/Mission Trip 2:30 PM Korean Congregation 4:30 PM Korean Bible Study	7 9:00 AM Korean Women's Prayer Group 12:00 PM Monday Lunch 6:00 PM Stephen Supervision 7:00 PM Troop 71	8 9:30 AM Knitting Group 12:00 PM AA 6:00 PM Widow/Widower Support Group 6:30 PM Children's Council Meeting	9 9:00 AM Korean Women's Prayer Group 7 PM Korean Worship 7:10 PM WSC Service & Study	10 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 9:00 AM Korean Women's Prayer Group 12:00 PM FOCUS 12:00 PM AA 5:15 PM Kappa Phi Valentine Tea 6:00 PM AA	11 9:00 AM Korean Women's Prayer Group 11 AM Kiwanis Chili Lunch 5:30 PM AA 6:00 PM Korean Students Bible Study	12 6:00 PM AA
13 Kappa Phi Sunday 8:45 AM Worship 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship 11:30 AM NT Orientation 2:30 PM Korean Congregation 4:30 PM Korean Bible Study	14 9:00 AM Korean Women's Prayer Group 12:00 PM Monday Lunch 7:00 PM Troop 71	15 9:15 AM Knitting Group 12:00 PM AA 7:30 PM Finance Committee Meeting	16 9:00 AM Korean Women's Prayer Group 7 PM Korean Worship 7 PM Disciple New Testament Class 7:10 PM WSC Service & Study	17 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 9:00 AM Korean Women's Prayer Group 12:00 PM FOCUS 12:00 PM AA 5:30 PM Kappa Phi 6:00 PM AA	18 OU Sib's Weekend 9:00 AM Korean Women's Prayer Group 5:30 PM AA 6:00 PM Korean Students Bible Study	19 OU Sib's Weekend 6:00 PM AA
20 Sib's Weekend 8:45 AM Worship 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship 2:30 PM Korean Congregation 4:30 PM Korean Bible Study	21 9:00 AM Korean Women's Prayer Group 12:00 PM Monday Lunch 6:00 PM Stephen Supervision 7:00 PM Troop 71	22 Circle Meetings 9:15 AM Knitting Group 12:00 PM AA 7:00 PM SPRC 7:00 PM Board of Trustees	23 9:00 AM Korean Women's Prayer Group 7 PM Korean Worship 7 PM Disciple New Testament Class 7:10 PM WSC Service & Study	24 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 9:00 AM Korean Women's Prayer Group 12:00 PM AA 12:00 PM FOCUS 5:30 PM Kappa Phi Degree of Pine 6:00 PM AA	25 9:00 AM Korean Women's Prayer Group 5:00 PM Athens Music Club 5:30 PM AA 6:00 PM Korean Students Bible Study	26 6:00 PM AA
27 8:45 AM Worship 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship 2:30 PM Korean Congregation 4:30 PM Korean Bible Study 6:30 PM Combined Youth Group @TPUMC	28 9:00 AM Korean Women's Prayer Group 12:00 PM Monday Lunch 7:00 PM Troop 71	Home 1	2	3	4	5

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
2011 OPERATING BUDGET WORKSHEET**

	2010 Budget	Proposed	Adopted
OPERATING INCOME			
Pledges	228,036.00	223,063.00	223,063.00
Non-Pledged Giving	20,000.00	23,027.00	23,027.00
Loose Offering	4,300.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
West Ohio Conference	18,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00
Radio Sponsorships	6,974.00	7,268.00	7,268.00
Holiday Offerings	8,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00
Sunday School	400.00	400.00	400.00
Korean Church	3,600.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
Previous Year Pledge	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
12 Step Groups	900.00	500.00	500.00
Preschool	47,240.00	45,000.00	45,000.00
Carry-over	10,506.00	16,652.00	16,652.00
Celebration Fund	783.00	917.00	917.00
Empl. Share of Hospitalization	1,167.00	1,282.00	1,282.00
Building Use		550.00	550.00
Pepsi Machine		150.00	150.00
Weddings		1,500.00	1,500.00
Summer Growing Tree		800.00	800.00
Miscellaneous Income		50.00	50.00
TOTAL	350,906.00	344,659.00	344,659.00
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	26,000.00	21,500.00	21,500.00
TRUSTEE INCOME			
Maintenance Reimbursements	13,000.00	13,000.00	13,000.00
Floor Maintenance & Supplies	3,500.00	2,950.00	2,950.00
Computer Replacement Fund	550.00	550.00	550.00
Custodial Supplies	2,567.00	2,567.00	2,567.00
Clippinger Fund	79.00	73.00	73.00
Stocklin Fund	883.00	1,636.00	1,636.00
Smith Flower Fund	82.00	76.00	76.00
Martha Graham Fund	329.00	305.00	305.00
Atkinson Communion Fund	110.00	102.00	102.00
Roach Fund	259.00	240.00	240.00
Helen Paige Fund	130.00	120.00	120.00
Tom Sarchet Fund	65.00	60.00	60.00
Don Seelhorst Fund	22.00	20.00	20.00
Dowler Fund	41.00	38.00	38.00
Cooley Fund	1,114.00	1,043.00	1,043.00
Washburn Fund	864.00	800.00	800.00
Venen Monday Lunch Fund		306.00	306.00
TOTAL	23,595.00	23,886.00	23,886.00
PROJECTED INCOME	400,501.00	390,045.00	390,045.00

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
2011 OPERATING BUDGET WORKSHEET**

	2010 Budget	Proposed	Adopted
PROGRAM EXPENSES			
Family Life	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,600.00
Radio	6,974.00	7,268.00	7,268.00
Worship	400.00	463.00	463.00
Liturgical Arts	350.00	350.00	350.00
Monday Lunch	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
Missions	100.00	100.00	100.00
Bereavement Hospitality	150.00	150.00	150.00
TOTAL	13,574.00	13,931.00	13,931.00
MUSIC			
Chancel Choir	810.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Adult Bell Choir	432.00	500.00	500.00
Instrumental Music	72.00	72.00	72.00
Children's Chime Choir	0.00	0.00	0.00
Children's Choir	135.00	130.00	130.00
TOTAL	1,449.00	1,702.00	1,702.00
EDUCATION			
Adult	599.00	900.00	900.00
Stephen Ministry	1,250.00	1,480.00	1,480.00
Children	2,135.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
Vacation Bible School	800.00	900.00	900.00
Scholarships	300.00	500.00	500.00
Puppet Ministry	200.00	460.00	460.00
Youth	3,375.00	3,375.00	3,375.00
Preschool	3,100.00	3,600.00	3,600.00
Summer Preschool		800.00	800.00
TOTAL	11,759.00	13,815.00	13,815.00
WESLEY STUDENT CENTER	2,480.00	2,480.00	2,480.00

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	2009 Budget	Proposed	Adopted
LAITY SALARIES/BENEFITS			
Laity Salaries	136,131.00	129,813.00	129,813.00
Dir of WSC Expense Acct	1,020.00	0.00	0.00
Benefits	15,500.00	12,668.00	12,668.00
Laity Hospitalization	8,120.00	8,589.00	8,589.00
Substitute Pay	2,100.00	3,720.00	3,720.00
Lay Member Expenses	300.00	300.00	300.00
Laity Continuing Education	500.00	500.00	500.00
TOTAL	163,671.00	155,590.00	155,590.00
CLERGY SALARY/BENEFITS			
Minister's Salary	42,194.00	43,882.00	43,882.00
Hospitalization	8,120.00	8,823.00	8,823.00
Pension Fund	8,175.00	8,366.00	8,366.00
Minister's Expenses	1,255.00	4,500.00	4,500.00
Moving Fund	0.00		
TOTAL	59,744.00	65,571.00	65,571.00
OFFICE EXPENSE/PROMO			
Postage	1,775.00	1,775.00	1,775.00
Office Supplies	3,960.00	4,115.00	4,115.00
Advertising/Marketing	1,682.00	1,735.00	1,735.00
Financial Campaign	188.00	0.00	0.00
Petty Cash		150.00	150.00
TOTAL	7,605.00	7,775.00	7,775.00
BUILDINGS & EQUIPMENT			
Parsonage Utilities	3,900.00	4,315.00	4,315.00
Church Utilities	37,000.00	34,650.00	34,650.00
Parking	0.00	50.00	50.00
Weddings		1,500.00	1,500.00
Building Use		300.00	300.00
Miscellaneous		500.00	500.00
TOTAL	40,900.00	41,315.00	41,315.00

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	2010 Budget	Proposed	Adopted
CONNECTIONAL MINISTRIES			
Conference Apportionments	40,843.00	35,919.00	35,919.00
District Apportionments	7,266.00	6,511.00	6,511.00
TOTAL	48,109.00	42,430.00	42,430.00
MISC. EXPENSES	26,000.00	21,550.00	21,550.00
BOARD OF TRUSTEES			
Maintenance Expenses	13,000.00	13,000.00	13,000.00
Floor Maintenance & Supplies	3,500.00	2,950.00	2,950.00
Computer Replacement Fund	550.00	550.00	550.00
Custodial Supplies	2,567.00	2,567.00	2,567.00
Child Programs - Clippinger	79.00	73.00	73.00
Min. Cont. Ed - Stocklin	883.00	1,636.00	1,636.00
Altar Flowers - Smith	82.00	76.00	76.00
Altar Supplies - Graham	329.00	305.00	305.00
Communion Supplies - Atkinson	110.00	102.00	102.00
Scholarship - Roach	259.00	240.00	240.00
Music - Paige	130.00	120.00	120.00
Music - Sarchet	65.00	60.00	60.00
Child Music - Seelhorst	22.00	20.00	20.00
Choir - Dowler	41.00	38.00	38.00
Office Systems - Cooley	1,114.00	1,043.00	1,043.00
Radio - Washburn	864.00	800.00	800.00
Venen Monday Lunch Fund		306.00	306.00
TOTAL	23,595.00	23,886.00	23,886.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	398,886.00	390,045.00	390,045.00
DIFFERENCE	1,615.00	0.00	0.00

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Worship Schedule

Sunday Morning Worship 8:45 and 10:30

Sunday School Classes, 9:30 a.m.

Worship Broadcast on WATH Sundays 11-11:30 a.m.

Child Care Provided During 10:30 Service

Free Parking in the City Parking Garage on Sundays