



## *Giving Our Whole Selves to God*

**And whatever you do, in word or deed,  
do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus,  
giving thanks to God. Colossians 3:17**



**CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**2024 Stewardship Camapaign**

## A NOTE FROM PASTORS JENNY & KIRKLAND

When we arrived at CUMC in the summer of 2021, it was clear that this was already a vibrant and committed congregation. But two years later, we continue to be in awe of the creative and faithful ways that our church embodies grace in the city of Rochester. In the spirit of the Hokey Pokey, we truly put our whole selves in - giving hands, feet, hearts, minds and gifts in service to God and our neighbors.

This season we've been exploring more about what it means to put our whole selves in for God, both individually and as part of a community. Being "All In" is not a one time decision but a lifelong commitment to growing in faith. And as followers of Jesus our faith is lived out in the kin-dom work of building a more just, loving and peaceful world together.

We believe God is doing that kind of holy transformation through the ministries of Christ UMC and your extraordinary generosity. Thank you for all that you have made possible in the last year. Please take time to prayerfully consider your financial commitment for 2024, as well your gifts of time and talents. You can make a pledge using the online form on our website or return the enclosed pledge cards by mail or in person on October 29th where we'll celebrate our commitments at 9am and 11am worship.

Thanks be to God for the past, present and future of Christ UMC. What a joy it is to share this journey with you. We are All In!

*Pastor Jenny Cannon & Pastor Kirkland Reynolds*



# 2023 IMPACT SUMMARY

## Revenue

Donations	\$875,500
Building Use	\$156,000
Parking Lot Rental	\$129,100
Other Revenue	\$60,015

While the 2023 budget forecasts a 1.6% deficit, the Leadership Board continues to monitor and manage actual expenses throughout the year.

Total Revenue      \$1,220,615

## Expenses

Missions & Outreach  
\$330,852.63

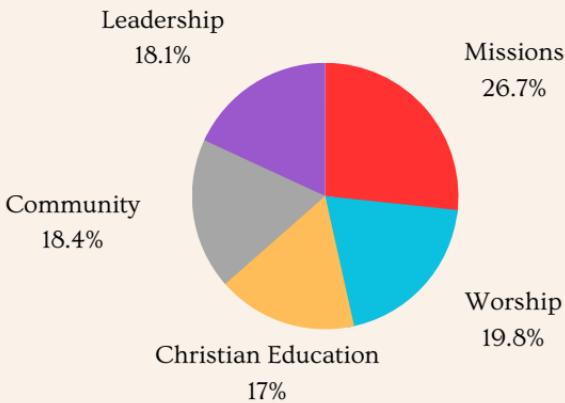
Worship & Music  
\$245,900.38

Faith to Life &  
Christian Education  
\$211,058.71

Community Care &  
Faith Sharing  
\$227,822.59

Leadership  
Development  
& Administration  
\$224,612.14

Final audited statements by the firm Tax Accounting Consulting Services, for the year ending 2022, are available upon request.



Total Expenses      \$1,240,246.45

# WORSHIP & MUSIC

## FOR ALL GENERATIONS



Whether you attend in person or online, worship experiences at Christ UMC are designed for all generations. Our services are rooted in tradition while being innovative, relevant, and engaging.

## WORSHIP THAT OFFERS GRACE IN THE CITY



Worship is an opportunity to celebrate God's grace and message of hope. Our pastors, musicians and worship leaders plan services that ensure what we do as a congregation connects with the opportunities, needs, and hopes found in Rochester and in the world.



## MANY GIFTS THROUGH MUSIC

We are blessed by a variety of musical gifts at Christ UMC. You will find the Sanctuary Choir and Celebrations Bell Choir in the 9am Sunday service, and the Arise praise band at 11am. Guest musicians, solos by staff and members, and children and youth musical groups also offer their musical gifts in worship.

# CARING MINISTRY & COMMUNITY

## CELEBRATING PASTOR NANCY'S MINISTRY AND RETIREMENT

Pastor Nancy has faithfully served Christ UMC for more than two decades. We invite you to help us celebrate and thank Pastor Nancy through supporting our caring ministry and by attending her retirement worship service on January 7, 2024.

### LAY AND CARE VISITOR TEAMS

One of the ways we love God is by loving each other. Teams of trained lay and care visitors connect with people and God through prayer, visiting in homes and hospitals, sending cards, making phone calls, and bringing communion to homebound and sick church members.

### CONNECTING WITH THE CITY

We believe God calls us to offer care and connection both within and beyond the walls of the church. Members of our caring ministry teams and staff provide high quality, compassionate, Christ-centered connection with every person we meet.



# MISSIONS & OUTREACH

## SATURDAY NOON MEALS & THRIFT ON FIFTH

In a typical week in 2023 we serve at least 70 guests during our Saturday Noon Meal and sell enough clothing (items are \$0.50 and \$1) at Thrift on Fifth to provide nearly \$1,000 for Thrive's Tuition Assistance Program. Our Saturday Noon Meals and Garden Ministry teams collaborate to minimize waste and compost food scraps.



## THRIVE CHILD CARE AND RESOURCE CENTER

October 2023 marks Thrive's 5th anniversary in downtown Rochester. Through this mission and ministry we are addressing the cycle of poverty by providing high quality, affordable child care. Together, Thrive and Christ UMC are building community and changing lives, one family at a time.



## ENGAGING THE CHURCH & THE CITY

In the summer and early fall we engaged more than 120 people through a series of intentional conversations about our hopes, concerns, and dreams for CUMC and the City of Rochester. These conversations help inform ministry and build new relationships in and beyond the church.

# FAITH TO LIFE & CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

## ENGAGING OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADULTS

We offer many ways to connect within the CUMC community. There are connect groups, faith formation groups, Sunday morning classes, short-term classes, third Sunday forums, UWF, Tea & Tacos, and all church reads. These provide opportunities to grow friendships, faith, and outreach.



## GROUPS FOR TWEENS AND TEENS

Club 6-7, Confirmation, Youth Group and our Appalachian Service Project team create safe and inclusive spaces for youth to learn, grow and develop as disciples of Jesus Christ.

## MINISTRY WITH CHILDREN

Jesus says in Matthew 19:14 to "let the little children come to me." Our ministry with children and families encourages faith formation and leadership development. We create opportunities for children to experience God's love through worship, learning, and serving.



# CHRIST UMC

## Grace in the City

With open hearts, open minds and open doors, we welcome people of all races, nationalities, theologies and abilities. We welcome people of all sexual orientations and gender identities. We offer a safe and compassionate place to reconcile faith, identity, hope, understanding and mutual respect.

### All In 2024 Stewardship Camapaign

Join us in October 2023 as we explore  
how God calls us to be “All In”

We invite you to join us for worship  
on Sunday, October 29 , 2023  
when we celebrate our commitments  
to the church in 2024



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