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April 2024:



Throughout the season of Lent, we have been looking inward and upward. We have been looking inward by learning about and practicing spiritual disciplines, and applying them to our lives, and allowing God access to our inward being so that God can transform us to be more like Jesus. We looked at the spiritual disciplines of prayer, scripture, fasting, journaling, and silence and solitude. These are just a few of the many spiritual disciplines that draw us closer to God. This Lent, I pray that you took the first step and at least tried one of these spiritual disciplines. If you did, I pray it helped you to grow in your faith, in your spiritual journey and will help you continue to walk closer with God! What a blessing these means of grace are that are available to us! After we have prepared our hearts for Easter by looking inward and upward, we are now in Holy week and will be celebrating Easter and the resurrected Christ and all of the hope He offers to us. "For God so loved the world, He gave His only begotten son that whoever believes in Him shall never die but have eternal life." Jesus died for us so that we could be forgiven and have eternal life. Now that is something to celebrate and be grateful for! Coming up, we will reflect on the book of Philippians in Worship each Sunday. We have our bible study each Wednesday at 10am.

We just started our last 6-week study before we break for

summer. We have our prayer group that meets on Tuesday morning at 10:30 am. Anyone is welcome to join us as we lift our family, church family, friends, and community in prayer. Feel free to join us on Wednesday evenings for our Feeding Friends community meal, food, and fellowship around the table. This meal is open to all and is NOT intended to be "just for the needy." There are lots of places to plug in and continue to grow closer to God and to each other, and to invite others who may not be a part of a faith community to discover more about Jesus. Wishing you all a very blessed and Happy Easter!

~ Pastor Lorri

Date	Attendance	Offering
3/3	54	\$3,722
3/10	68	\$955
3/17	?	\$1,512
3/24	58	\$3,530
3/26	n/a	n/a

Maundy Thursday

DUMC is celebrating Maundy Thursday at Plymouth UCC. We will be bringing sandwiches to complement their soup for dinner following the service at 5:30PM.



HOSPITALITY MINISTRY

We have some open spots on our greeter and café ministry teams. If you would like to consider serving, please see Sandy Alexander before or after a service on Sunday.



Holy Week Services

- **Maundy Thursday Service—**
March 28th at 5:30PM at
Plymouth UCC: At 5:30PM,
we will have a meal in the
basement of the church.

Plymouth will be providing soups and Dodgeville UMC are asked to bring sandwiches. Beverages and rolls will be provided.

- **Good Friday – March 29th at 6:30PM at Dodgeville UMC**
- **Easter Sunday – March 31st at 7:30AM at Linden UMC**
9:00AM at Dodgeville UMC



LOOSE CHANGE FOR CHANGE

April-June Loose Change for Change is designated to the Opportunity House – a place to assist those released from prison.



LADIES SPRING BRUNCH – New Life Church, Saturday April 6, 10AM. Speaker Shawna Chappell. RSVP at secretary@newlife-upc.org by March 31.

CAMPERSHIPS AVAILABLE FOR CHURCH CAMPS OR MISSION TRIP



Both the Wills and Memorials Committee and United Women in Faith (UMW) have available funds to help with the cost of church camp or a summer mission trip. Please see or call Charlene Mingst, Chair of the Wills and Memorials committee (phone # 608-935-5758) or Robin Digman at 608-341-8315, Treasurer of UWF for more information. Please leave a message if your call isn't answered.

PLEASE PRAY:

Pam Fingerson, Edna Dunham, Ivy Wilson, Zach Hickman, John Gevelinger and family, Patti Kersten, Theresa Stewart, Jane & Ron Elwell, Kurt Hasburgh, Edith Hunter, Dean Litchfield, Dennis Benson, Lee Oxnem, Cathryn Tredinnick

LOVE DODGEVILLE

Sunday, May 5, 1:00-5:00PM

QUESTIONS? Contact Brenda Crowe
brencrowe@hotmail.com or visit the Love
Dodgeville Facebook page.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST



The Trustees will be offering breakfast again on Sunday, April 2^{1st} from 8-11AM for \$10. Thank you for supporting this fundraiser!

CHOIR NOTES



The choir will plan to sing on Sunday, April 7th and Sunday, April 21st. We will rehearse at 8:00AM on those Sundays. As always, we welcome new and/or returning members at any time.

WILLS AND MEMORIALS COMMITTEE MEETING

The Wills and Memorials committee will meet on Tuesday, April 30th at 1:30PM in the Library. Please note that this is a change in the regular scheduled date because of the set-up for the rummage sale.



UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH

Our unit of United Women in Faith will meet on Thursday, April 4th, 2024 at **6:00PM** in Fellowship Hall. Please note the earlier start time – we will be preparing table favor gifts for our May Friends Night event. The theme of the April meeting program will be *“Hospitality– How have you experienced being the host and/or being the guest”*? All women of the church are welcome to attend. Hope to see you there!

Other upcoming events/happenings/opportunities:

The annual UWF WI Conference Social Action Day Virtual Event is scheduled for Saturday, April 13th, from 9:00AM—12:00PM. The theme is “Ending Mass Incarceration and Improving Treatment of Incarceration Impacted Women”. Please see Charlene Mingst (ASAP) if you are interested in attending a “Watch Party” at the Lodi UMC or for information on how to watch via ZOOM on your own.

Friday, April 19th and Saturday, April 20th is the annual Spring Rummage/Bake Sale –set-up begins on Monday 4/15 and continues through Thursday noon 4/18. Please see another page of this newsletter for more information.

The annual SW District Spiritual Growth Retreat is scheduled for Saturday, April 27th, 2024 at the Platteville UMC. Registration and hospitality begins at 8:30AM. The theme is **United Women in Faith-We are Leadership**. The retreat leader is Rev. Barbara Wells, a retired pastor in the Wisconsin Conference. The registration fee is \$15.00 and is due April 12; this fee includes lunch. Please see Charlene Mingst for a registration form and more information.

Please put this date on your calendar – Thursday, May 2nd, 2024 – Everyone (women and men) are invited to a Friends Night Gathering on this date beginning at 6:30PM. Carla Pustina will provide uplifting and inspiring music for all in attendance followed by food and fellowship in Fellowship Hall. We are preparing invitations to send to other churches in the area; please invite friends and family!

SPRING RUMMAGE/BAKE SALE

The annual United Women in Faith's Spring Rummage/Bake Sale is scheduled for Friday, April 19th and Saturday, April 20th. The hours for the sale are: 8:00AM – 4:00PM on Friday and 8:00AM-Noon on Saturday. The Bake Sale is to be held on Saturday morning only. The "Bag Sale" will be between the hours of 10:00AM-Noon on Saturday.

The set-up dates are Monday, April 15th through Thursday, April 18th. Please bring items on those dates between the hours of 9:00AM-4:00PM Monday – Wednesday and between 9:00-Noon on Thursday. Because storage space is very limited—if at all possible, please wait to bring your items on the planned days.



PLEASE DO NOT BRING: TVs, entertainment centers, computers, dehumidifiers, home-recorded VCR tapes or DVDs, stained or torn clothing, or inappropriate books, DVDs, or magazines. Please limit clothing donations to Spring and Summer only.

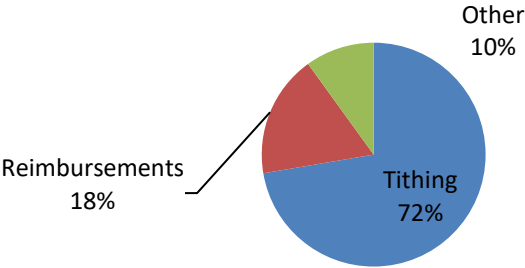
Bake Sale items should be priced and can be brought in on Friday or early Saturday. If you like to bake, please consider donating items for the bake sale. There are a lot of people who look forward to buying homemade baked items.

We will need many workers to help set-up and to work during the sale. Sign-up sheets will be available in Fellowship Hall. Please sign up for a shift or two or call Charlene Mingst at 608-935-5758. (If you have a question about an item that you would like to donate please call that same number.)

This annual fund-raiser helps the United Women in Faith meet our goals of mission on the local, state, national, and international levels, including supporting the general fund of our church. **THANK YOU TO ALL WHO WILL WORK AND ALSO TO EVERYONE WHO DONATES ITEMS.**

Financial Report

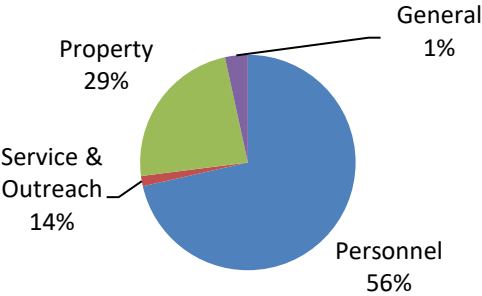
February Income = \$14,266



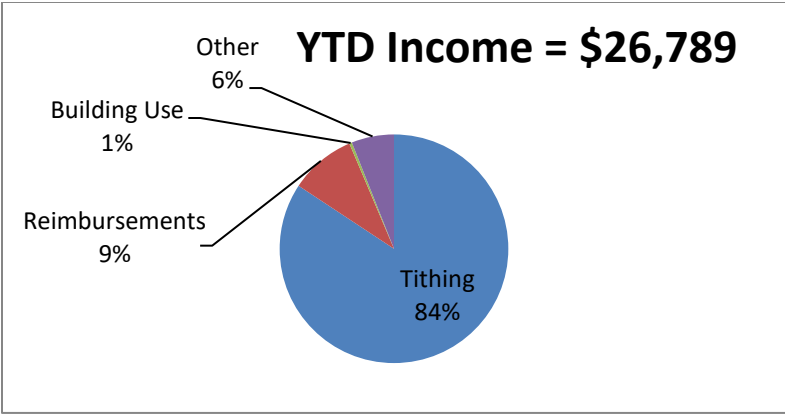
February

Tithing	\$10,318	72%
Reimbursements	\$2,527	18%
Other	\$1,421	10%
Total	\$14,266	

February Expenses = \$12,103

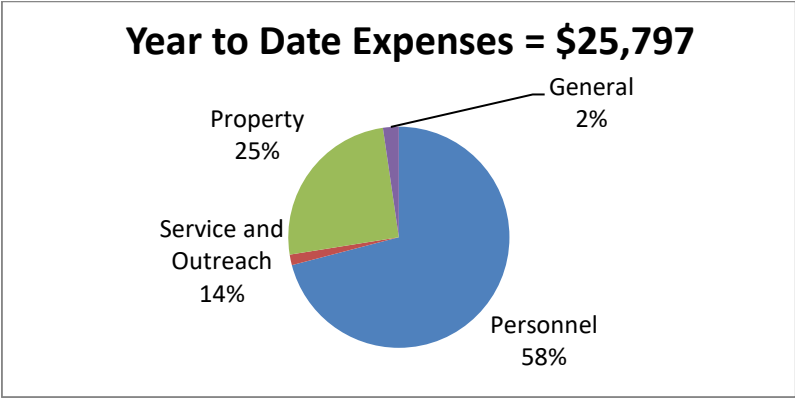


Personnel	\$8,648	71%
Service & Outreach	\$186	2%
Property	\$2,855	24%
General	\$414	3%
Total Expenses	\$12,103	



YTD

Tithing	\$22,580	84%
Reimbursements	\$2,500	9%
Building Use	\$100	0%
Other	\$1,609	6%
	<u>\$26,789</u>	



Personnel	\$18,300	71%
Service and Outreach	\$398	2%
Property	\$6,503	25%
General	\$596	2%
Total Expenses	<u>\$25,797</u>	

SUNDAY SERVANTS

April	S School	Counters	Media	Liturgist/Child Mom	Greeters	Cafe	Accompanist
7	Deb S	Deb S Sandy A	Dee	Jan A/Lorri	Sarah & Caleb Buroker	Jody V Penny E	Denise
14		Jan K Sandy A	Tom	Peggy F	Sandy & Steve	Mary & Rich J	Jan
21	Peggy F	Jan K Sandy A	Denise	Dawn V	Deb & Jim Short	Sarah & Caleb B John A	Ginny
28	Terry Penny	Jan K Sandy A	Tom	Martha B	Martha Boyer/John A	Jan A, Charlene M Ginny G	Ginny
May	S School	Counters	Media	Liturgist/Child Mom	Greeters	Cafe	Accompanist
5	Deb S	Jan K Sandy A	Dee	Dawn V	Sarah & Caleb B	Peggy F Nancy M	Jan
12	Peggy F	Jan K Sandy A	Denise	Martha B	John A, Martha B	Dawn V Deb S	Jan
19		Jan K Sandy A	Dee	Peggy F	Deb & Jim S	Kerry B Julie J	Ginny
26	Terry Penny	Jan K Sandy A	Denise	Terry	Sandy & Steve A	Sandy A	Ginny

Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday	
31	EASTER 7:30am Sunrise Service at Linden UMC 9:00am Dodgeville UMC Worship	1	6:30pm Trustee Meeting	2	10:30am Prayer Ministry 5:30pm Wesley Fellowship Group 7:00pm Love Dodgeville Meeting	3	5:00pm Feeding Friends Meal	4	6:00pm UW in Faith Meeting	5		6	6:00pm DTC Support Group
7	Communion 8:00am Choir Rehearsal 9:00am Dodgeville UMC Worship	8	9:00am PEO Prep	9	9:00am Lifeline Screening 10:30am Prayer Ministry 5:30pm PEO 5:30pm Wesley Fellowship Group	10	5:00pm Feeding Friends Meal 6:00pm Finance Meeting 7:00pm Church Council Meeting	11		12		13	6:00pm DTC Support Group
14	9:00am Dodgeville UMC Worship 10:00am ALL CHURCH MEETING & Potluck	15	9:00am Rummage Sale Prep 7:30pm Farm Bureau	16	9:00am Rummage Sale Prep 10:30am Prayer Ministry 5:30pm Wesley Fellowship Group	17	9:00am Rummage Sale Prep 5:00pm Feeding Friends Meal	18	9:00am Rummage Sale Prep	19	8:00am Rummage Sale	20	8:00am Rummage Sale 6:00pm DTC Support Group
21	8:00am Choir Rehearsal 8:00am Pancake Breakfast 9:00am Dodgeville UMC Worship	22		23	10:30am Prayer Ministry 5:30pm Wesley Fellowship Group	24	Newsletter Deadline 5:00pm Feeding Friends Meal	25		26		27	6:00pm DTC Support Group
28	LOOSE CHANGE 9:00am Dodgeville UMC Worship	29		30	10:30am Prayer Ministry 1:30pm Wills & Memorials Meeting 5:30pm Wesley Fellowship Group	1	5:00pm Feeding Friends Meal	2	6:30pm UW in Faith Meeting	3		4	6:00pm DTC Support Group

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

4 – Owen Beerkircher
5 - Kevin Kirschbaum
8 - Amber Price
9 - Chip Forrest
16 – Rose Hickman
17 – Ben Berryman
17 – Lana Dobson
18 - Peggy Forrest
22 - John Houck
22 - Mike Weber
25 - Jan Kirschbaum
27 – Brittany Gevelinger
27 - Scott Tolzman



APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

8 - Ron & Julie Symons
11 - Doug & Robin Digman
11 – Jeff & Jackie Dux
16 - Rich & Judy Strutt

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