

## Intentional Faith Development

From first Christians, to the earliest Methodists, to the youngest generations of faithful members today, the followers of Jesus mature in faith by learning together in community.

Some ways we do that here at Monona UMC include:

- Sunday School for all ages
- Adult education offerings
- Vacation Bible School
- United Methodist Women
- Youth activities
- Summer Developer Program
- Hilltoppers
- Church communications – newsletter, web site, and e-mails
- Lenten and Advent devotionals
- Childcare for young families
- Other small groups and classes

An increase in this area would mean that we could offer an after-school ministry, parenting classes, and scholarships, and hire additional education staff.

2011 expenditures: \$46,896

## Extravagant Generosity

We give because God's extravagant generosity calls us to be in mission in our church and our world. As a church, we seek to live out this call of living and giving generously.

Some of the ways we do this as a church include:

- Being an active part of the Wisconsin Annual Conference and its many ministries across the state of Wisconsin
- Paying our apportionments, through which we support the ministries of the United Methodist Church around the world
- Being an active part of the greater Madison community of ministries
- Sharing our church facilities with community groups in need of a space to meet
- Sharing our community garden harvest with the church and local community
- Providing additional funds for our Caring Ministry

An increase in this area would mean that we could help cover apportionments for less able churches, expand our Office Administrator hours, and fund future ministries or scholarships.

2011 expenditures: \$67,121

Since 2010, the ministries of Monona United Methodist Church have been categorized into "The Five Practices" based on Bishop Richard Schnase's book *Five Practices of Effective Congregations*. Through these five practices, we strive to be God's people as we GATHER! GROW! GO!

Please prayerfully think about how you are being called to give of your "First Fruits" during this Consecration Sunday celebration as you complete an Estimate of Giving card for the 2012 ministries.

Monona United Methodist Church

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# Monona United Methodist Church 2012 Ministries Campaign



Bring the best of the **First Fruits**  
of your soil to the house of the LORD  
your God.

Exodus 34:26

## Passionate Worship

Worship is at the heart of our life together. Worship breathes life into us as a community of Christians. Worship is where we experience the power of the Word and Sacraments that equip us to live out our faith.

We worship in many ways:

- Sunday worship services at 8:30 a.m., 10:45 a.m., and 5:00 p.m.
- Christmas Eve worship
- Lenten & Holy Week worship
- Baptisms, weddings, funerals
- Celebration of Communion

Some of the ways we enhance our worship include:

- Music through the Adult, Glory, and Cherub Choirs and Handbell Choir
- Altar decorations
- Childcare during worship

An increase in this area would mean that the church could possibly record on video the services for those unable to attend and ensure that those members who cannot attend are allowed to receive God's word.

2011 expenditures: \$125,420

## Radical Hospitality

We are called to love as Christ first loved us. As a church we seek to live this by making our church a welcoming place and by carrying the loving, welcoming presence of Monona United Methodist Church out into our community and world.

We welcome in many ways:

- Caring for our building and grounds through cleaning, maintenance, insurance, utilities, etc.
- Being present in our church and also in our community visiting those who need help or are no longer able to get out
- Providing meals and refreshments for events held at our church
- Making our church available to community groups who need a place to gather
- Welcoming people to Monona United Methodist Church through our office staff

An increase in this area would mean that the church could continue the needed upkeep of our campus, along with additional projects that will enhance the usability of our space, keep expanding our presence in the community, and offer a ride-share ministry for those

2011 expenditures: \$99,761

## Risk-Taking Mission

We have a variety of ways to share the love of Christ in our community, country, and world. This includes both hands-on work and financial support.

Some of the ways we reach out and touch lives in Jesus' name include:

- Support of local, state, national, and international ministries through special offerings
- Support of Habitat for Humanity
- Youth mission trips within the USA
- International mission trips
- Christian music concerts for the community, focusing on families and youth
- Participation in athletic teams
- Adoption of families at Christmas
- Support of community schools through school supply drives

An increase in this area would mean that we could support more mission trips for both youth and adults, national and international missions, and local food pantries.

2011 expenditures: \$62,993

*We give out of love. We give out of joy. We give out of a deep sense of thanksgiving for all God has done for us.*

The vision of Monona United Methodist Church is to be a "vibrant, fruitful community." The dollar amounts given in this narrative budget are representative of how your treasures are making an impact in the Five Practices of our church. It is through God's generosity to us, and your prayers, time, talent, and treasures, that we are able to achieve the many ministries and wonders of our church. Thank you for your support!

Prayerfully consider your part in Monona United Methodist Church's mission by completing an Estimate of Giving card.

If you would like to give your gifts electronically, contact the church office at (608) 222-1633 or [secretarymumc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:secretarymumc@sbcglobal.net). Electronic Funds Transfer can be authorized for weekly, semi-monthly, or monthly contributions.