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October 2011



Join us as we continue with a 12 week series  
in 2 parts:

**“Back To Basics**

**Pt. 1 Elementary Teachings about CHRIST**

**Pt. 2 CHRIST Centered & Biblically Rooted**

**Worship With Us:**

*Saturdays at:*

*5:30pm*

*Elevation*

*Sundays at:*

*8:15am*

*Traditional*

*Sundays at:*

*10:45am*

*Contemporary*

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## Praise JESUS !!!

Well, we've been together now for three months, a quarter of a year. We completed the Indiana Mission Trip. We hosted two Altoona mission teams. This season's Hope Chest is completed, as is our opening evening for The R.O.C.K. By the way, both saw the most helpers from 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave ever; 16 for Hope Chest, 30 for the ROCK. Hope Chest had its 2<sup>nd</sup> highest total people served, while the ROCK had its highest number of children attend an opening evening. We celebrated our Block Party and raised over \$4,300.00 for the general fund. Two N.A. Groups started meeting here. We won the 2011 Altoona Church Summer Softball League Championship.

We baptized four people as Professions of Faith. We celebrated the marriage of a couple who attend worship regularly. We celebrated the life of a life-long member. We've initiated a mentor/protégée discipleship relationship program. We began a nine month journey to read and/or listen to the entire New Testament.

We've met all Homebound/Nursing Home members. Stemming from this are several other "with-reach" initiatives to better care for our mature members and reinforce our intergenerational fellowship, discipleship making and the already mentioned mentoring/protégée ministry. We've hired Rachel Foose as full-time staff with dedicated emphasis on Youth Ministry. We enjoyed Youth Family Night and Lock In. We completed Charge Conference. *Whew!*

Sooo... how's it going? Many associate church with Sundays, if this is true then do you have a greater awareness of the presence of the HOLY SPIRIT in your everyday life? Are the worship services inspiring? Are the messages helpful, informative, challenging, convicting, uncomfortable? Are there subjects/topics, whether Biblical or not, that you'd like to hear about or feel need addressing in sermons, worship services or other venues? Do you have a sense 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue is heading in the proper direction or on course with GOD? Please let me know through our various modes of corresponding through the church office.

How is your devotional life? Are you reading or listening to the New Testament? Who is your mentor? Who is your protégée? Are you in a small group? If so, how's it going? If not, why not? Have you participated in a mission or outreach opportunity? Are you planning to join another one? Have you shared your faith with someone beyond this church community? When was the last time you invited someone to 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue for worship or any other activities?

Finally, I have a few thanksgivings and praises. Worship here is phenomenal. Whether it's Elevation, Traditional or Contemporary the music, drama, dance, children or guest celebrants the quality of worship is excellent and honors GOD.

Cont...

## Pastor's Message Cont.

I offer my thanks to each of you that give so willingly to lead us in worship.

The leadership here is precise and decisive. Many decisions needed to be made, some unpopular and off the original agreed upon vision plan, but surely well within the overall vision of 2nd Avenue. Some decisions are already in place to help fulfill the planned vision; they're just not readily observable yet. My acknowledgment is small praise for the enormity of the vision this leadership has undertaken. Yet I know we serve a rather "big" GOD. So my praise is enlarged for our leadership because of WHO they follow. And if I may suggest, please find out who these worship and vision leaders are, thank them personally and pray with them.

And most of all I thank you for your faithful walk with our LORD and our service to HIM through this local body of believers we call 2nd Avenue Church. GOD bless you!

Together in CHRIST,

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### Mentoring Program at 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave UMC

*~A lot of people have gone further than they thought they could because someone else thought they could~*

#### PURPOSE/PHILOSOPHY:

A one-on-one relationship built on trust and friendship can transform a life of unlimited potential. You cannot learn that which you think you already know. A mentoring program can allow you to take that which you have already learned and share that with someone else.

#### WHAT TO EXPECT AS A MENTOR

- Act as a spiritual guide
- May act as a career guide
- Be a sounding board and provide reality checks
- Encourage and challenge
- Be intentional in the life of your protégé
- Willing to have open and honest communication about difficult issues

#### MISCONCEPTIONS

- Perfect Fit – It is ok if a relationship does not work out.
- Immediate Results – transformation takes time and intentionality.
- Both the mentor and protégé must be willing to practice patience and grace.

Please prayerfully consider being involved in the mentoring program at 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave UMC. For more information or if you have questions, please contact Pastor Derek at 814-943-2072 or [millerdrock@gmail.com](mailto:millerdrock@gmail.com)

#### **Upcoming Events:**

**Wed. Bible Study** – Every Wed. 10am  
**Youth Group**– Sundays, 6-8pm  
**Executive Comm. Mtgs.**— October 4  
**Sr. Bingo**– October 13 & 27  
**R.O.C.K.**— Every Wed. at 4:30pm  
**Trunk or Treat**– October 27

*Additional information throughout this issue*



All practices will be held on Wednesday nights for the following choirs:

4:30pm– Children's Choir  
 5:15pm–Adult Choir (high school & above)  
 7:30-8:15pm–Handbell Choir



**Gift Cards Available!** Gift cards available for Martins, Weis Markets, and Giant Eagle. The church receives 5% of the proceeds from your purchase! **Cards available after both services in the Elevation room or the foyer area or by calling 943-2072.**



**2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Trunk or Treat!** We are looking for donations of individually wrapped candy, hot dogs and buns. Last year's event was so well received by the community that we would like to make it even better for 2011. If you can help out with any of the mentioned items or with decorating your cars, trucks, or vans, please call the church office at 943-2072. Donations of individually wrapped candy can be dropped off at the church office. Trunk or Treat will be held on Thursday, Oct. 27th from 6-8pm!



#### **WANTED:**

**SENIORS WHO LOVE FELLOWSHIP, FUN & FOOD.** OUR SENIOR GROUP MEETS THE 2<sup>ND</sup> AND 4<sup>TH</sup> THURSDAYS OF EACH MONTH AT 10:30AM IN THE SOCIAL HALL. COME JOIN US FOR BINGO, LUNCH AND MORE BINGO. WE CELEBRATE JOYS, BLESSINGS, BIRTHDAYS AND EACH OTHER. WE OFFER OUR EARS, OUR HEARTS AND SHOULDERS AS CHILDREN OF GOD. WE'RE OFFERING A FREE TRIAL MEMBERSHIP IN OCTOBER. COME CHECK US OUT!



**John Wesley**, 1703-1791, an Anglican priest and accredited as the main founder of the Methodist Church.

**Charles Wesley**, 1707-1788, also an Anglican priest and with his brother John, co-founded the Methodist Church. He was also, a poet who authored over six thousand poems and hymns.

### Theology: "knowing GOD"

The Wesley Quadrilateral: We come to know GOD primarily through Scripture. We also come to know GOD through tradition, experience and reason as they are illuminated by Scripture. The following are found in the UMC 2008 Book of Discipline (BOD):

#### Scripture

The biblical authors, illuminated by the HOLY SPIRIT, bear witness that in JESUS CHRIST the world is reconciled to GOD. The Bible bears authentic testimony to GOD's self-disclosure in the life, death and resurrection of JESUS CHRIST as well as GOD's work of creation, the pilgrimage of Israel and the HOLY SPIRIT's ongoing activity in human history.

#### Tradition

For centuries Christians have sought to interpret the truth of the Gospel for their time. In these attempts, tradition, understood as both in terms of process and form, has played an important role. The passing on and receiving of the Gospel among persons, regions and generations constitutes a dynamic element of Christian history.

#### Experience

Although profoundly personal, Christian experience is also corporate, our theological task is informed by the experience of the church and by the common experiences of all humanity. In our attempts to understand the Biblical message, we recognize that GOD's gift of liberating love embraces the whole of creation.

#### Reason

Since all truths are from GOD, efforts to discern the connections between revelation and reason, faith and science, grace and nature, are useful endeavors in developing credible and communicable doctrine. We seek nothing less than a total view of reality that is decisively informed by the promises and imperatives of the Christian Gospel, though we know well that such an attempt will always be marred by the limits and distortions characteristic of human knowledge.



1 Linda Ferguson  
Ryan Hopkins

2 Jerry Leamer  
Dee Simonis

4 Dorothy Brooks

5 Janet Ferguson  
Andrew Johnson

7 Edward Church

8 Glen Dougal

10 Gary Ferguson

11 Ronald Gray  
Melinda Jo McClosky

13 Melissa Grossman  
Jack Ingham

15 Jack Covert  
Luke Mattern

16 Paula Woomer

17 Clara Weber

19 Debbie Ross

20 Ryan Claycomb

21 Sharon Loomis  
Erica Thompson  
Sarah Johnson

22 Ben Church  
Sam Knee

23 Bill Kustaborder  
Donald Rhodes II

24 Douglas Beldin  
Trevor Thompson  
Rachel Ross

25 Daniel Coldwell  
Linda Smith

26 Pat Pavlic  
Savannah Gallaher

27 Cheryl Bickel

28 Dottie Hileman

29 Maryann Cook

31 Sharon McDowell  
Jason Miller



### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Jack Ingham will celebrate his **92nd** birthday on October 13th! Let's shower him with birthday greetings!

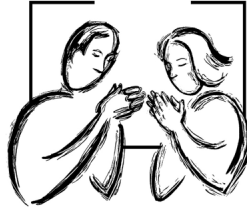
Jack Ingham  
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2 Gordon & Jane Lonsinger  
10 Justin & Traci Trostle  
12 Claire & Tonya Lauver  
14 Dale & Frances Chathams  
17 Shawn & Jessica Miller  
20 David & Harriet Koelle  
26 Ray & Naomi Dively  
Jack & Evelyn Kling

## Prayer in 2011:

There are a number of different ways we at Second Ave. UMC are trying to be intentional with prayer this year. One of the ways is asking one individual to be in specific prayer for Second Ave., its ministries, people, and outreach efforts, one day per month. Listed below are the individuals being asked for the month of **October**. *You DO NOT need to come to the church to pray (although you are welcome to). You can pray whenever and wherever you wish on that day:*



Few things are as important as prayer

<b>10/1</b> – Cheryl Rupp	<b>10/2</b> – Bob Miller	<b>10/3</b> – Jack Ingham
<b>10/4</b> – Sarah Ieraci	<b>10/5</b> – Rachel Foose	<b>10/6</b> – Sue Plank
<b>10/7</b> – Rachel Ferguson	<b>10/8</b> – Karen Hughes	<b>10/9</b> – Jeanette Yingling
<b>10/10</b> –Janice Calvin	<b>10/11</b> – Todd Covert	<b>10/12</b> – Betty Fedesco
<b>10/13</b> –Chris Cook	<b>10/14</b> –Dawn Bonghi	<b>10/15</b> – Donna Detterbeck
<b>10/16</b> – Erdean Grissinger	<b>10/17</b> – Roger Morgan	<b>10/18</b> – Dottie Hileman
<b>10/19</b> – Brian Anderson	<b>10/20</b> –Helen Weller	<b>10/21</b> – Jack Stehle
<b>10/22</b> –Susan Grove	<b>10/23</b> –Eric Mattern	<b>10/24</b> – Amber Rhodes
<b>10/25</b> – Patricia Peterson	<b>10/26</b> –Gloria Gerhart	<b>10/27</b> – Jerry Stalnaker
<b>10/28</b> – Andrew Bollinger	<b>10/29</b> –Brian Koelle	<b>10/30</b> –Jake Simonis
<b>10/31</b> – Jim Kennedy		

### AS ALWAYS: PLEASE REMEMBER OUR HOMEBOUND

**Valley View:** Mary Coldwell, Margie Grove, Wanda Mann, Ruth Larderi

**Parkview Terrace Independent Living Suites:** Vivian Irvin, Sarah Ieraci

**Bellemeade Manor:** Cora Biddle

**Hillview Nursing Home:** Florence Points

**Hollidaysburg Veterans Home:** Jim Fedesco, Mary McKelvey

**Altoona Center For Nursing Care:** Helen Faust

**Winds At Mattern Orchard:** Mary Bakoss

**Emerald Estates:** Doris Brennecke

**At Home:** Dorothy Liebegott, Pat Pavlic, Ginny Weber, Anna Mae Dobson, Pauline Bollinger, Ruby Robertson, Edna VanZandt, Stella Coldwell, Clesta Slogenhop, and Marian Fluke

**Out of Town Concerns:** Sharon Rhoads, Jim Hoover, Betty Meyer, Bill Foster, and Ginny Weber

Please continue reading the New Testament through May 2012. Below is a suggested reading schedule for those who prefer to have a daily reading schedule. Bibles are available upon request by calling the church office at 943-2072.

### SUGGESTED READING PLAN FOR OCTOBER 2011-MAY 2012

#### Dates:

Oct. 1st thru Oct. 14th  
 Oct. 15th thru Nov. 7th  
 Nov. 8th thru Nov. 28th  
 Nov. 29th thru Dec. 26th  
 Dec. 27th thru Jan. 11th  
 Jan. 12th thru Jan. 27th  
 Jan. 28th thru Feb. 9th  
 Feb. 10th thru Feb. 15th  
 Feb. 16th thru Feb. 21st  
 Feb. 22nd thru Feb. 25th  
 Feb. 26th thru Feb. 29th  
 March 1st thru March 5th  
 March 6th thru March 8th  
 March 9th thru March 14th  
 March 15th thru March 18th  
 March 19th thru March 21st  
 March 22nd  
 March 23rd thru April 4th  
 April 5th thru April 9th  
 April 10th thru April 14th  
 April 15th thru April 17th  
 April 18th  
 April 19th  
 April 20  
 April 21 thru May 12th  
 May 13th

#### New Testament Readings

Mark 1-16  
 Luke 1-24  
 John 1-21  
 Acts 1-28  
 Romans 1-16  
 1 Corinthians 1-16  
 2 Corinthians 1-13  
 Galatians 1-6  
 Ephesians 1-6  
 Philippians 1-4  
 Colossians 1-4  
 1 Thessalonians 1-5  
 2 Thessalonians 1-3  
 1 Timothy 1-6  
 2 Timothy 1-4  
 Titus 1-3  
 Philemon  
 Hebrews 1-13  
 James 1-5  
 1 Peter 1-5  
 2 Peter 1-3  
 1 John 1-5  
 2 John & 3 John  
 Jude  
 Revelation 1-22  
 SUNDAY CELEBRATION!

# Serving in October

## **POWER POINT:**

### **Elevation:**

10/01 Brandon Thompson  
 10/08 Andrew Bollinger  
 10/15 Andrew Bollinger  
 10/22 Brittany Thaler  
 10/29 Aaron Smith

### **10:45am:**

10/02 Brandon Thompson  
 10/09 Andrew Bollinger  
 10/16 Andrew Bollinger  
 10/23 Don Rice  
 10/30 Aaron Smith

## **READERS: (8:15am)**

10/02 Cheryl Rupp  
 10/09 Roger Morgan  
 10/16 Kate & Hayden Hann  
 10/23 Dave Koelle  
 10/30 Donna Porter

## **COUNTERS:**

Dick & Dottie Hileman, Marylou Mathieu, Bill Bickel

## **JR. CHURCH**

10/02 Tom Gerlach, Jolene Gerlach, Brook McChessney  
 10/09 Tom Gerlach, Jolene Gerlach, Judy Arthurs  
 10/16 Tom Gerlach, Jolene Gerlach, Jen DeBlois  
 10/23 Danielle Mattern, Sherry Koelle, Brook McChessney  
 10/30 Kelly Aharrah, Judy Arthurs, Jen DeBlois

## **SOUND:**

### **Elevation:**

10/01 Brandon Thompson  
 10/08 Andrew Bollinger  
 10/15 Andrew Bollinger  
 10/22 Brittany Thaler  
 10/29 Aaron Smith

### **Sunday Worship:**

10/02 Wade Koelle  
 10/09 Eric Mattern  
 10/16 Matt Stuckey  
 10/23 Brittany Thaler  
 10/30 Chris Schaffer

## **GREETERS:**

**8:15am:** Karen Hughes,  
 Norma Thompson,  
 Donna Lysinger  
**10:45am:** Danny Billetter,  
 Dee & Bob Perkins

## **NURSERY (Elevation):**

On call as needed

## **NURSERY (10:45am):**

10/02: Brigid Dodson  
 Steven Dodson  
 Bonita Thompson  
 10/09: Sue Plank  
 Marian Rice  
 Gina Baregoot  
 10/16: Brigid Dodson  
 Matt Dodson  
 Deb Rice  
 10/23: Kelly Schaffer  
 Helen Weller  
 Becky Sellers  
 10/30: Deb Rice  
 Jes Simonis  
 Jes Zimmerman

*Every single day of your life God will give you opportunities to serve Him by serving His children. Welcome those opportunities with open arms. They are God's gift to you, His way of allowing you to achieve greatness in His Kingdom!*

## **Nerve to Serve! Everyday Transformation!**

Nerve to Serve for October!

This month we will be doing some dual giving to help two groups from Second Avenue give back to our community. The ROCK is in need of plain white tee shirts (all different sizes from little to big kids!) as well as duct tape (all different colors for various craft projects). Hope Chest is in need of NEW socks and underwear for children (infant to kids size 12). If you can lend a hand and pick up any of these items, please drop them off on the stage in the Elevation room under the Nerve to Serve bulletin board any time in October. Thank you!

## ***From Our Discipleship Pastor...***

I was contemplating what to write for this month's scroll article and was having difficulty knowing what to write. Karen George was sitting in my office, so I asked her on what I should write. Her response was to write about what I was feeling. Pain...soreness...tight muscles...physical exhaustion!! At this moment, my physical pain comes from Keith Runkle pushing me around the tennis court for three sets after playing beach volleyball for two hours! Why am I in pain? Probably because I am out of shape and have not been disciplined with my exercise routine. It is also because I skipped running to eat a piece of chocolate cake, or missed my pushups to watch "So you think you can dance" on TV! Or maybe it was the time that instead of going for a 2-mile run, I stopped after 1 mile because I didn't want to put in any more effort. What type of spiritual lesson can we learn from this? Where are you with your spiritual exercises?? How often do you allow yourself to be "lazy" with reading scripture, praying, praising God, living in community through small groups or discipleship, etc? How often do you allow another activity to replace a spiritual discipline? How many times do you push through spiritual exhaustion to build up your spiritual muscles? Let me encourage you to exercise and be healthy!

Oh, another thought...just as it sometimes takes someone else to motivate and encourage you to exercise, it is important to have someone in your life to encourage you to exercise spiritually. Perhaps, a mentor!! If you are willing to encourage someone to exercise along with you, please contact me about our Mentoring program!

## **Hebrews 12:1-3:**

<sup>1</sup> Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, <sup>2</sup> fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. <sup>3</sup> Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

Derek Miller  
 Discipleship Pastor



### (Reaching Out to Community Kids)

"You just don't understand!" I was sitting on the bottom step, by the 2nd St. door and little Tommy was making his way through the kitchen, on his way out of the R.O.C.K. that Wednesday evening. His face was bright red. His voice cracking. Tommy was having a rough day. Tommy has a lot of rough days. His mother had dropped him off with us and told Tommy he had to walk home after the R.O.C.K. with Frank. Tommy is in 3rd grade and Frank is in 5th. Mom had made plans to go to Virginia for the next few days and Tommy was going to have to stay with Frank and his folks. I had anticipated a problem that day. Tommy started acting out in the gym and got real upset and took off. I learned a few years ago it is pointless to go chasing the kids through the Church. Way too many hiding places. So I make my way to the door and just hang out and wait. Then Tommy looked up at me, no longer angry, his face had gone pale and there were tears in his eyes. He said, kind of softly, "No one understands." It was just him and me, standing there, looking at each other.

I had planned out something to say to him. After all, I am Danny Billetter, program director, and I have been doing this for years. Come on, doesn't he know who I am? I looked at him and just froze. He was right. I didn't understand. I wanted to understand. I wanted to tell him the right thing, that everything was going to be OK. But both he and I knew, things were not going to be OK. He had tried to cover his pain with anger, but he just lost his strength and couldn't hold on anymore. I could feel his pain. I can still feel it as I am writing this.

I must admit that I am not certain I would know what to say to a kid if this situation arose again. I am pretty sure something like this will happen again before too long. I have spent a lot of time praying for Tommy and some guidance for myself. I do believe that God put me in that place at that time to help me learn something. I am working on figuring it out.

This story is typical of the R.O.C.K. Not all of them are this extreme, but they all are just as real. I would like to ask you all to continue to pray for all the R.O.C.K. volunteers for guidance, understanding and patience. Please be in prayer for all the R.O.C.K. kids. The R.O.C.K. year is just beginning and there are a lot of Tommy's out there.

This incident happened in mid-April. I am happy to say that Tommy continued to come to the ROCK till the end of the year. I saw Tommy at the Block Party. He gave me a smile and a wave. He seemed alright. Kids are so resilient. Guess they have to be.

Peace,  
Danny

**The R.O.C.K.** will continue to collect "Box Tops for Education" to help out the local elementary school. A collection box has been placed in the church foyer by the restroom. Thank you



the family and friends of Gloria Jackson who went home to be with her Lord on Tues., Aug. 30, 2011.

Many thanks for the cards, prayers, and visits during my recent stay in the hospital. Your many acts of kindness made me feel very much at peace that all would be ok. I feel very blessed to have such a great church family. Marylou Mathieu

We would like to thank everyone for the prayers, cards, sharing food and memories of Gloria Jackson. We are always aware of the love of Christ moving among us. And thank you to Pastor Greg and the ladies who served the meal. Love in Christ, Gene & Jackie Ross

Thank you to Karen Anderko for donating 9 skeins of yarn to the Prayer Shawl Ministry, and to Donna Detterbeck, Jim Daski, Evelyn Kling, and Kathy Griffin for donating bears to the Teddy Bear Ministry. Also thank you to the sound team for improving the quality of CDs for church services and many thanks, also for the purchase of 4 more hearing devices. PRAISE THE LORD! A special thanks also to servants; Dave & Harriet Koelle, Bob & Dee Perkins, Shirley Trindel, Jean Stevanus, Dick & Judy Arthurs, Jack Stehle, Linda Ferguson, Janet Valentino, and Donna Lysinger for their time and labor of love in providing the funeral meals the last several years.

#### 20/20 Vision Thank You..

~Thank you so much for your generous gift to the Wounded Warrior Project. We cannot thank you enough for your support of the truly deserving thousands of men and women who have been wounded in our current military conflicts. Only with generous support like yours we are able to reach the thousands of wounded servicemen and women and provide comfort items, counseling, and rehabilitation to aid in the transition from a hospital bed to an independent and productive life.

**If you know of a non-profit ministry that you would like to have considered as a recipient of 20/20 funds, please fill out a donation request form, located in the basket on the table in the foyer, and turn it in to the church office for the 20/20 vision team to consider, or call the church office at 814-943-2072.**



*We would love to hear from you! If you would like to submit a letter of thanks to the Scroll please call the church office at 943-2072, or email us at [2ndaveumc@verizon.net](mailto:2ndaveumc@verizon.net) no later than the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month. Thanks!*

# Treasurer's Report:

Balance End of **July** \$26,112.52  
 Total receipts for **August** \$42,869.76  
 Total disbursements **Aug.** \$55,284.57  
 Balance End of **August** \$14,300.59  
 A complete breakdown of this report is available by request.

<b>WEEKLY OFFERING</b>	
09/04	\$8,809.07
09/11	\$4,489.01
09/18	\$4,859.59
09/25	\$4,999.66

## ATTENDANCE

<b>WORSHIP</b>		<b>SUNDAY SCHOOL</b>	
09/04	291	09/04	90
09/11	283	09/11	79
09/18	297	09/18 (Ministry Explosion)	39
09/25	259	09/25	90



**October items needed:** toilet tissue, bars of soap, and all non-perishables. Please continue to remember those in need, the need is growing along with the ever increasing utilities. All items can be placed in the foyer area in the box by the windows. THANKS FOR YOUR HELP!!

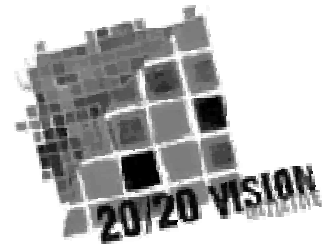
### MEETING REMINDERS:

**Executive Committee meetings in October:**  
**Trustees & Finance: Tues., Oct. 4, 6pm**  
**Ad Council: Tues., Oct. 4, 7pm**

### FUNDRAISERS

**Cell Phone Drive:** Please continue to donate your inactive cell phones with their batteries (No chargers or accessories needed). 100% of the proceeds go directly to the church.

**Reaching Seekers,  
 Building Believers,  
 In Christ**



In an effort to keep everyone informed of the 20/20 Vision progress each month we will list both the monthly total received and also the amount received to date. Remember green 20/20 Vision giving envelopes are included in your monthly envelopes and also located on the backs of each pew for those who do not receive monthly envelopes.

### **20/20 Vision Totals:**

#### **For August:**

Received- \$6,843.90  
 YTD- \$74,696.63

**Total received since beginning: \$245,416.26**

#### **July Distributions:**

Trustees- \$12,791.12  
 Missions- \$3,172.78

### **How Giving Is Saving Lives And Allowing Transformation To Occur:**

As part of the 20/20 Vision Initiative, 20% of all money received will go to mission outreach opportunities locally, statewide, nationally, and internationally. We are also so happy to report that the portion donated for Sept. was \$1,750.00. The following outreach opportunities were recipients of your generosity:

**VIM Disaster Relief Team**– this is the Altoona District Mission Team. This team travels to various areas to assist in disaster relief and mission work. They have assisted right here with our local mission week.

**Susquehanna Flood Relief Fund**– this fund was set up with the Susquehanna conference to assist those hit hardest by recent flooding

**Taylor Redinger Travel Aid**

**Saint Vincent D'Paul**– Air conditioning fund

**TOGETHER WE ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE!**