



## HOW YOUR GIFTS SUPPORT MINISTRY IN 2026

Salaries, benefits, and payroll taxes are allocated based on the staff time dedicated to each ministry area. Property category includes debt service on the Family Life Center – approximately \$36,000/year.

**90% of every dollar you give goes to support ministries in or beyond the church.**

**2026 BUDGET = \$761,539**

**Music and Worship – 18% or \$137,575** > Worship is the heartbeat of our church. Week by week, Pastor Joe’s thoughtful preaching and the leadership of Bruce, Barb, Nate, and Brian draw us into reflection, inspiration, and connection with God. In worship, we are gathered, grounded, and then sent to LOVE God, SERVE people, and TRANSFORM lives. Your gifts keep our rhythm strong.

**Children & Youth – 10% or \$78,853** > We invest in the next generation because the future of the Church is being shaped now. Under Children & Youth Director Bethany Carl, kids and students grow through Children’s Church, youth group, VBS, music, internships, scholarships, and a young leaders’ cohort. This isn’t just programming—it’s faith formation and leadership development for a lifetime of service.

**Administration – 10% or \$76,878** > Behind every ministry is the coordination that keeps us organized, connected, and responsive. From financial processing and database management to records, giving statements, and communications, Office Manager Lisa Mountain helps ensure that everything runs smoothly behind the scenes so that the rest of our ministry can flourish.

**Mission – 13% or \$100,098** > This is where faith becomes action. Your gifts feed and care for neighbors, send youth on transformative mission experiences, and strengthen churches across our region and world through the United Methodist connection. Beyond the budget, another \$10,000 - \$15,000 in direct outreach each year provides urgent help - food, housing, transportation, and medical care - through ministries like the Pastor’s Discretionary Fund.

**Property – 34% or \$257,642** > Our buildings are among our most important ministry tools. Property includes insurance, utilities, maintenance, cleaning, and the Family Life Center mortgage (about \$3000/mo). Custodian Jenny Feliciano ensures that these spaces are safe, clean, and welcoming. Ministry happens here every day: Scouts, grief support groups, preschool, music lessons, blood drives, pickleball, voting, and the work of many nonprofit partners who use our space at little or no cost.

**Other Ministries – 15% or \$110,492** > This is the fabric of our community—Reconciling Ministries, small groups, communications, and a significant share of the pastor’s time for teaching, writing, pastoral care, and leadership. Here, relationships deepen, faith takes root, and we witness to God’s love for all people. This is how we LOVE God, SERVE people, and TRANSFORM lives.