

# Live a God-Pleasing Life! 2010 OUMC Stewardship Program

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## A Message from Pastor Don Hawks

In a couple of weeks, our "Live a God-Pleasing Life!" stewardship program will culminate on Commitment Sunday, May 2nd.

That day will be your opportunity as a member or regular participant of our church to commit to the use of your God-given gifts of time, talent, and money in a way that pleases God.

When we give of ourselves, our resources, our time, and our money, we are only returning to God the gifts that he has given us to manage for him, the Creator of the universe. We are God's partners in the work of stewardship. Jesus said, "I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I

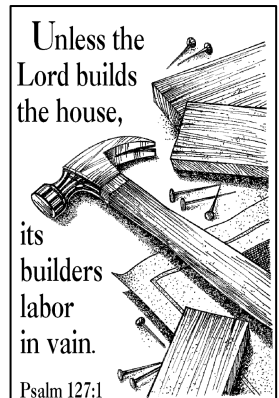
*have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you*" (John 15:15). What an honor Jesus has bestowed on us - to call us his friends and to allow us to be part of his "business!"

As your pastor, I am excited for the opportunity before us to "grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ" (2 Peter 3:18). As we once again are made aware of the grace extended to us by our Savior, let us respond joyfully as we make our annual commitment. "May the God of peace . . . equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen" (Hebrews 13:20,

21). May this be your prayer as you consider your commitment decisions.

Please complete and bring the enclosed commitment form with you to church on Commitment Sunday, or return it to the church office at your convenience.

We're looking forward to seeing you in both worship and Bible study as we examine how to "Live a God-Pleasing Life!"



## Stewardship Sunday Schedule

- April 18 YOUTH SUNDAY: Faith is the Foundation
- April 25: Discipleship is the Path
- May 2: COMMITMENT SUNDAY: Generosity is the Hallmark

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## A Message from the 2010 Stewardship Team

We want to thank each of you for making the ministry of our church possible through your time, talent, and financial gifts.

In the past years, we have maintained two budgets: 1) A General church budget, which included the Oakton

Christian Preschool income and expenses. 2) A building fund budget which was used to reduce the building mortgage from our expansion of 2002-03.

We will be changing the format of our budget plan beginning in June. For the church budget

we will merge our building fund and general budgeting into one unified budget. Additionally, we will maintain the OCP budget separately as they are essentially a self funding operation. past few years.

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Thus, we will be only asking for one commitment of giving from you this year, rather the two tier pledge system of years past.

We are providing a summary narrative budget in this first stewardship newsletter. Our hope is that it will be helpful to you in how your gifts are used and what a difference your faithfulness in giving makes. We look forward to receiving your

commitment on Sunday, May 2nd. If you have any questions concerning the commitment form please contact the church office.

**2010 STEWARDSHIP TEAM**

- Bruce Long
- Sammye Justice
- Carol Friesen
- Elsie Benson
- Lois Hidalgo
- Giles Sinkewiz
- Pastor Don Hawks

**TOTAL 2010 UNIFIED BUDGET:**

**\$457,390**

**MINISTRIES (\$81,900 – 18%)**

**NURTURE**

- Sunday School
- Gateways Children 's Worship
- Stewardship
- Shepherds Program
- Homebound Communion
- Library
- Prayer Vigil
- Child Protection Policy
- Family Ministries
- Nursery
- Vacation Bible School

**UNITED METHODIST WOMEN**

**STEPHEN MINISTRY**



**UNITED METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP**

**UNITED METHODIST MEN**

**WITNESS**

- Evangelism
- Lay Speaker
- All Things New
- Flower Ministry
- Communications: Web, Newsletter, News Media
- Ushers/Acolytes/ Liturgists/Children's Sermons
- Music Director
- Organist
- Special Worship Services

- Lambs Center
- Committee to Help Others
- Shepherds Center
- Red Bird Mission
- Heart Havens
- Christmas Shoebox Ministry
- Volunteers in Mission

**WORSHIP**

- Communion
- Alter Guild/Flowers

**OUTREACH**

- Child Rescue Center (Africa)
- Martha's Table
- FACETS

**Oakton United Methodist Church—the friendly church on the corner.**

**OPERATING EXPENDITURES (\$94,600 – 20.8%)**

- Insurance Policies
- Maintenance — Church & Parsonage Building and Grounds; Equipment
- Cleaning Supplies
- Custodial Service
- Trash and snow removal service
- Utilities
- Office Operating Expenses & Supplies
- Office Equipment Maintenance and Contracts



**PASTORAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT (\$104,600 – 23%)**

- Pastor’s Compensation & Benefits
- Office Administration



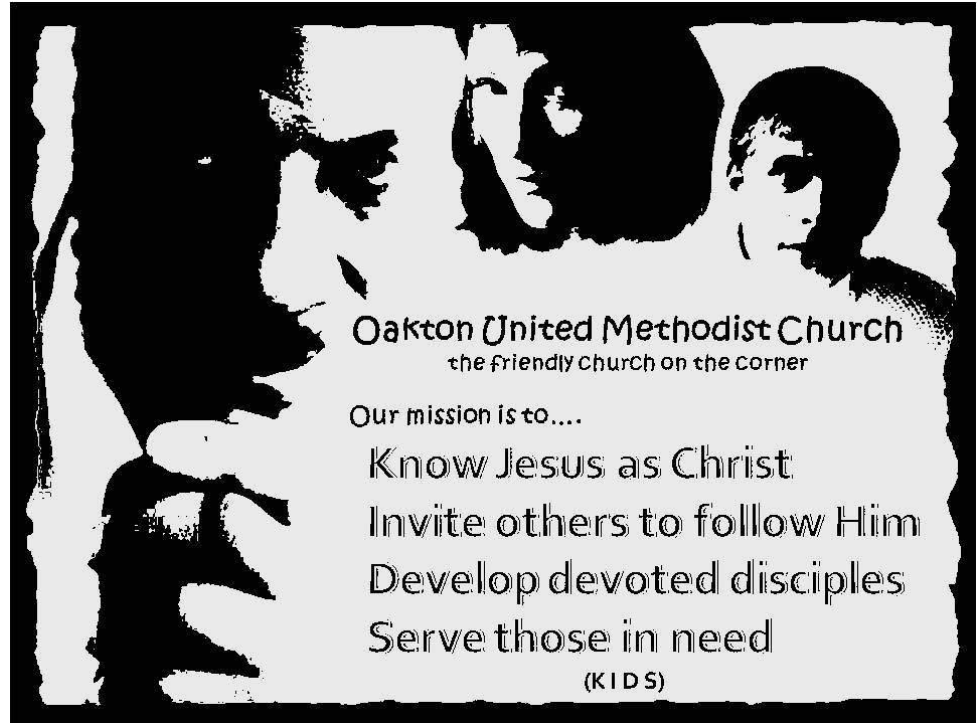
“The world is my parish.”  
 — John Wesley, Methodist Founder

The United Methodist Church is an 11-million-strong global church that opens hearts, opens doors and opens minds through active engagement with our world.

John Wesley and the early Methodists placed primary emphasis on Christian living, on putting faith and love into action. This emphasis on what Wesley referred to as "practical divinity" has continued to be a hallmark of United Methodism today.

**DISTRICT & CONFERENCE APPORTIONMENTS (\$66,700 – 14.5%)**

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| <p><b>ARLINGTON DISTRICT</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• District Administration Fund</li> <li>• Camp Highroad</li> <li>• Board of Missions</li> </ul> | <p><b>VIRGINIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• World Service &amp; Conference Benevolences</li> <li>• Fund for Compensation for Bishop, District Superintendents</li> <li>• Retired, Disabled and Health Insurance</li> <li>• Conference Services</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Educational (supports VA colleges)</li> <li>• Other—Church Development, Ministerial Education, Black College, Africa University</li> </ul> |
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On the web:  
[www.oaktonumc.org](http://www.oaktonumc.org)

**BUILDING MORTGAGE (\$107,400 – 23.6%)**



The church mortgage is amortized over 30 years with a monthly payment of \$8942. Up until now, part of the mortgage was paid out of the general budget and a majority of the payment was from the building fund. Be-

ginning in June this year the entire monthly payment will be drawn from the unified budget, as the building fund will no longer exist.