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Total given for the ministry of our church on September 5th was:

**\$6136.00**

And the current Family Life Center balance for this month is

**\$488,064.68**

### CHARGE CONFERENCE

(via Zoom) with the District Superintendent  
Wednesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30pm  
This meeting is for **Church Council members** Only!



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Our fourth Quarter Mission Is for:



### The Church with the Lighted Steeple and the Friendly People

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**Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00am – 2:00pm**

# Announcements

October 24, 2021



### First Time Guest?

Stop by the visitors table to get some information and complete a "welcome form". So nice to have you join our First Church Family today!

### ADVENT STUDY

with Pastor Ed

### ***FAITHFUL: CHRISTMAS THROUGH THE EYES OF JESUS***

by Adam Hamilton

*He started his journey as an unknown carpenter, but Joseph became the earthly father of Jesus. For his part in the nativity story, he faced a situation much like our own--encountering life circumstances he didn't choose or understand. In **Faithful**, Hamilton encourages readers to follow Joseph's example during this Advent and Christmas season, and exchange doubt for courage as we learn to accept and glorify God's will.*

**Wednesdays (12/1; 12/8; 12/15; 12/22) @6:45pm**

Books are \$14 (scholarships available!)

Sign Up at the Information Table!

## First United Methodist Church of Toms River

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Christ Centered- Spirit Led

### *Our Mission*

*Belonging to the Family*

*Believing the Good News*

*Becoming like Jesus*

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**SUNDAY, 10.24**

- 9:00 Family Life Center Worship
- 10:30 Sanctuary Worship
- 6:00 Youth Group, TH

**MONDAY, 10.25**

- 9-12 Crafters, TH
- 6:45 Cub scouts, FLC

**TUESDAY, 10.26**

- 10-12 Knitters, TH
- 7:15 Praise Team, FLC
- 8:20 NA Meeting, TH

**WEDNESDAY, 10.27**

- 3-5 Nine Patchers, TH

**FRIDAY, 10.29**

- 6-8 College Group, TH

**SATURDAY, 10.30**

- 9-3 Brierly Court of Honor, FLC

**FLC:** Family Life Center, **TH:** Thompson Hall, **R4:** Room 4,  
**R5-6:** Room 5 & 6, **S:** Sanctuary, **CR:** Choir Room  
**WR:** Whilden Room. **RR:** Reeves Room



Shawn Zakar, 24  
 Hojun Yoo, 25  
 James Brierley, 28  
 Sam Brethwaite, 29

**Continued prayers for:** Tom Vankirk, Al Tarbous, Janet Hirshblond, Vivian Johnson, Daniel Capuano, Evelyn Paulsen, Barbara Dawson, & Joshua Smith



**HOLLY BERRY BAZAAR BAKERY BOOTH**

We would love to have your donations, pre-packaged if you can, for us to add our "Seasonal Touches". Pies, breads, cakes, brownies, muffins, cookies, jams and jellies. Whichever is your favorite, bake it or make it and it will be great! Please remember to indicate if nuts are in your goodies. Sugar-free and gluten-free items are welcome as well. Donations may be brought in Thursday, November 4<sup>th</sup> and Friday, November 5<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you from the Baked Goods Workers!



Come Get a Shoebox and Make a Difference

Boxes will be available October 24<sup>th</sup> and October 31<sup>st</sup> after 9:00 worship and before 10:30 worship.

Boxes will be collected on October 31<sup>st</sup>, November 7<sup>th</sup> and November 14<sup>th</sup>. **WE WILL NOT COLLECT ANY BOXES AFTER NOVEMBER 14<sup>th</sup>!**

You **DO NOT** need to include \$9.00 for postage, The United Methodist Women will cover these charges. You must however, affix the label to the box properly filled out.

**Questions?? Call Adrienne Melnyk at 732-604-5042**

Thank you in advance for your participation in this wonderful program.



**Hats, Mittens and PJs**



It's hard to believe that these hot, humid days will turn to chilly nights and snowy days but before you know it, they will be here. The pandemic has hit Toms River hard. Many families are still out of work and may not be able to dress their children warmly this year. The UMW will once again partner with The Hope Center and collect new hats, mittens or gloves and children's pajamas. I realize you aren't shopping like before but when you are out or when you are shopping online, drop an item in your cart. Handmade items are also welcome. I will place baskets in the Narthex and FLC October 18-31 for your donations. They and I appreciate any new items you can give. Should you have any questions, feel free to call me, Kathy Newsome, at 732-341-6643

*Flowers on the communion table in the Sanctuary are in given to the glory of God*



*Happy Anniversary  
 George & Pam Rose, 25*



**Holly Berry Bazaar**  
**November 6, 2021**  
**9:00am – 4:00pm**