



Building Community by Reconciling People with God and One Another

2021

MAKING ROOM AT THE TABLE Stewardship Campaign

Inviting our neighbors to the table.

This year our church successfully transitioned to online worship, received 12 new members, and welcomed a new associate pastor.

In 2021, we will invite even more of our neighbors to encounter the love of Jesus Christ in diverse and vibrant worship experiences.



This year our church has experienced the abundance of God's generosity like never before!

In the midst of a global pandemic, Faith UMC has not only survived, but thrived in our outreach to our neighbors, to children and youth, and to those most in need in our community.

Through your generous giving, our church was able to adapt our vibrant worship, discipleship, and outreach programs this year, while keeping all of our staff employed in their life-changing ministries.

Looking to the future, we believe that God is calling our church to make room for more people at God's abundant table, as we grow in discipleship, fellowship, and generosity, seeking to reach all of our neighbors with God's love.



Inviting children/youth to the table.

Under the leadership of our new Director of Children's Ministry, our children and youth have experienced God's love and the support of our church in the midst of a challenging year in their lives.

In 2021, we will continue to adapt our programming to share Jesus' love with kids in our community.

Inviting our partners to the table.

When our neighbors were affected by the economic shutdown, our church worked with our partners to meet the community's needs. At Roots of Faith this year we have distributed 14,000 meals & food boxes, provided social services to 400 clients, and had 45 people in the Circles anti-poverty program.



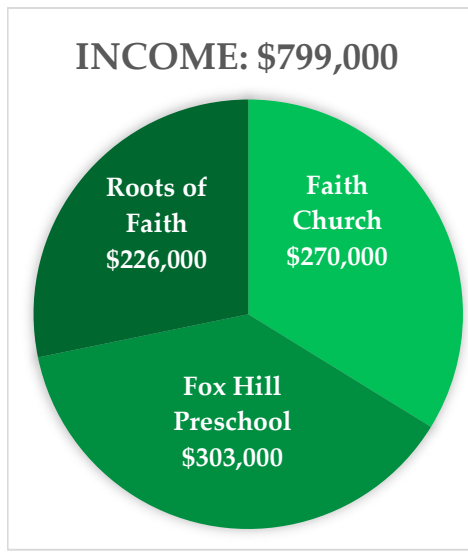
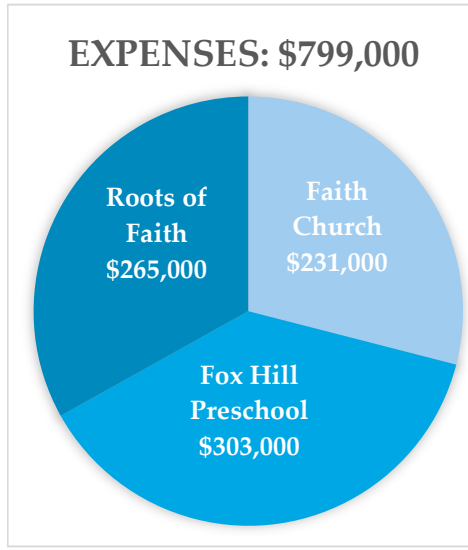
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Faith UMC plans to end the year 2020 with a balanced budget. Although the pandemic brought unexpected decreases in preschool income, this was offset through a Paycheck Protection loan and decreased expenses. Congregational giving and Roots of Faith grant income have remained strong, enabling us to continue our vital ministries.

Due to a generous donation, Faith UMC was able to pay off both our church and parsonage mortgages, freeing up 10% of our 2021 expense budget to be used toward increased mission and ministry and deferred facility maintenance. Some of our 2021 budget highlights include:

- New Coordinator of Worship Technology PT staff position
- New Roots of Faith Worship Leader Position
- Mid-year expansion of Circles Program staffing
- \$25k in budgeted funds toward deferred facility maintenance
- \$25k contingency to protect against economic uncertainty
- Continued funding for our vibrant traditional worship and children's ministry programs

2021 Budget By The Numbers



Would you consider making an **increased pledge in 2021**, if you are able, so that our church can make room at the table for more of our neighbors to experience God's transforming love?

Please fill out the attached pledge card and place it in the mail by Monday, November 9th.

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You can submit your 2021 pledge on our church website by Saturday, November 14th at:

FaithFoxChapel.org/2021pledge

8 ways to give to Faith UMC

1. Easy Online Giving

Visit www.faithfoxchapel.org/give to make a secure one-time or recurring gift with a credit card or bank account.

2. Cash or Check

Cash or checks made payable to "Faith UMC" can be placed in the offering plate each week or mailed to the church office. If you want your cash donation to be included in your giving record, place the cash in the offering envelopes found on brochure stand in the narthex.

3. Online Bill-Pay

Set up a one-time or recurring monthly donation, payable to "Faith UMC," and mailed to the church office.

4. Automated Clearing House

Contact the church office to ask for an ACH Authorization Form with details about your one-time or recurring monthly gift.

5. Qualified Deduction

If you are age 70.5 or older and have an IRA, rather than taking your required minimum distributions, you can take a Qualified Charitable Deduction. The distribution is non-taxable, reducing your adjusted gross income.

6. Security Donations

Donate appreciated stock, bonds or mutual funds. You get the benefit of the donation at current value. No taxes are due on the exchange. For transfer instructions, contact the church office.

7. Charitable Gift Funds

Several custodians have self-directed donor advised funds. You can set aside several years of donations and get the tax deduction for the total amount in the current year. You can then distribute donations to charities of your choice.

8. Estate Gifts

One meaningful way to leave a legacy of faith is through planned estate giving. Bequests can be a set amount, or a percentage of the estate. Estate giving offers significant PA and Federal tax benefits. For more information, visit www.umfoundation.org.

Thank you for your generous support!

