

CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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MARCH 2026



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MARCH 29TH  
PALM SUNDAY  
8:30 AM  
10:45 AM

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APRIL 2ND  
MAUNDY THURSDAY  
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APR 5TH  
EASTER SUNDAY  
8:30 AM  
10:45 AM

# Tulips for Easter



**\$12 for 1 pot of Tulips**  
**Orders must be**  
**received by**  
**March 15th**

Order online at  
[www.christumchurch.org](http://www.christumchurch.org)

## FREE MOVIE NIGHT



**MARCH 21<sup>ST</sup>**

**6:00PM**

**Kick off spring break**  
**with Christ UMC!**

**Doors open at 5:30PM**





# Stewardship

For those of you that missed our Town Hall Meeting on Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>, here is our Financial Snapshot from 2023-2026. Questions? Please feel free to contact your Finance Chair, Nick Fetchina. [nfetchina@comcast.net](mailto:nfetchina@comcast.net)



## Christ UMC Financial Snapshot 2023-2026

	2023	2024	2025	2026 Budget	
General Fund Giving	\$ 523,054.00	\$ 593,260.00	\$ 539,789.00	\$ 434,789.00	Pledges
Expenses	\$ 589,682.00	\$ 553,989.00	\$ 602,868.00	\$ 615,097.00	Budgeted
Sub-Total	\$ (66,628.00)	\$ 39,271.00	\$ (63,079.00)	\$ (180,308.00)	
Money Withdrawn From Savings During Year	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 37,000.00		
Final Income/Loss	\$ (46,628.00)	\$ 49,271.00	\$ (26,079.00)		
Savings Balance as of 12/31	\$ 171,451.00	\$ 181,028.00	\$ 144,015.00		
Mortgage Balance as of 12/31	\$ 297,178.00	\$ 248,951.00	\$ 227,078.00	\$ 203,959.00	Estimate
Apportionments Paid	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 22,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	Budgeted
Required Apportionment to INUMC (11% of General Fund Giving)	\$ 57,535.94	\$ 65,258.60	\$ 59,376.79	\$ 47,826.79	Budgeted
Apportionment Deficit	\$ (37,535.94)	\$ (45,258.60)	\$ (37,376.79)	\$ (27,826.79)	

Hello Church Family,

In preparation for spring, we took our mower to get serviced as we do every year. This 2007 Exmark Lazer mower was donated to us over ten years ago and now has 1500 hours on the engine. Bobcat informed us of several issues that would need repaired, and it would be quite expensive. They suggested that it would be more cost effective to replace the mower rather than spend a lot to repair this one given its age. We have collected quotes and plan to purchase a new 2026 John Deere Z930M 60" Susp Seat Tweels for \$15,000.

With the general budget being tight and this being an unexpected expense we are asking our congregation to prayerfully consider donating towards this large expense.

Your general fund gifts are very important to us, and we need those to maintain our budgeted expenses. If you would like to make a special gift towards the purchase of the new mower, we would greatly appreciate it. Donations can be placed in the offering plate on Sunday morning (Please mark your envelope or check with "mower"), dropped off in the church office or made online by clicking on this link: <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-YXCA/campaign/C-169N8>

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Scott Gillespie, Ad Council Chair

Nick Fetchina, Finance Chair

Adam Allen, Trustee Chair





# March

## Birthdays and Anniversaries



**Robert & Cherie Maestas**

03/04/1989

**Mick & Jean Foust**

03/06/1980

**Don Uglow & Judy Roth-Uglow**

03/11/2012

**Wendy & John Basden**

03/17/2020

**Greg & Michelle Helms**

03/20/1999

**Randy & Lynette Keen**

03/22/????

**Joe & Vilma White**

03/28/2004



**March 1** Heidi Brewer, Abigail Hornor

**March 2** Lisa Hilsabeck, Jerry Snyder,

John Yarian **March 4** Phillip Ferger,

Elizabeth Wooden **March 5** Mary

Seyfried, Gary Williams **March 7** Zach

Yater **March 9** Audra High, Jennica

Johnson, Jerry Taylor **March 10** Zonda

Bryant, Joe Dano, Etta Lakes **March 14**

Katy Ade, Pete Branson **March 15**

Dennis Pearson, Karen Van Horn **March**

**18** Kevin Maynard, Julie Stout **March 19**

Glenn Pearson, Elizabeth Tran **March 21**

Anthony Burnett, Jennifer Hall, Michael

Samudio **March 22** Brad Letson **March**

**24** Sherry Keith **March 25** Carol Lee,

Rob Outhouse **March 26** Kathy Huseman

**March 27** Judy Auter, Brody Fine

**March 29** Dawn Amato, Walter Watts

**March 30** Claudia Comus, Marcia Doty,

Jessica Ferger, Braiden Linder, Jo

Stroud **March 31** Judy Roth-Uglow



# Holy Week BINGO



Complete as many challenges as you can during Holy Week, mark them off, and invite others to join!

Pray for someone in need.	Read the story of the Last Supper.	Write down 3 things you are grateful for.	Listen to a worship song and reflect on the lyrics.	Attend a church service.
Fast from social media for a few hours.	Meditate on Jesus' last words on the cross.	Do an act of kindness for a stranger.	Spend 10 minutes in silent prayer.	Confess a struggle to God and surrender it.
Read Isaiah 53 and reflect on Jesus' sacrifice.	Invite a friend to join you in prayer.		Share your favorite Bible verse on social media.	Give up a favorite treat or habit as an act of fasting.
Encourage someone with a heartfelt message.	Take a nature walk and thank God for creation.	Say a special prayer for your family.	Read the resurrection story (Matt. 28)	Watch a faith-based movie or sermon.
Pray and fast.	Invite someone to Easter Sunday service.	Cook a meal and share it with someone in need.	Donate clothes, food, or essentials to someone in need.	Share this Bingo card and challenge others!