



## Our Mission

Make Disciples for Jesus  
Christ for the transformation  
of the world.

## Our Vision

Lawrence Chapel United  
Methodist Church practices  
the Love and Teachings of  
Jesus.

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### Church Office Hours

Mon-Tue-Thu  
9:00am-1:00pm  
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Mon-Tues 9:30am-1:00pm  
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**Black History Month**, which is celebrated each year during February, is a chance for Americans to learn details of their nation's history that, unfortunately, are far too often neglected and pushed to the wayside. As the saying goes, black history is American history — and it's a varied and rich history.

## Year End 2021 Finance Committee Update

On behalf of the Lawrence Chapel United Methodist Church Finance Committee, I would like to welcome you to 2022! The past two years were challenging for everyone as we continued to operate in an uncertain environment throughout 2021. We continue to pray for everyone's safety and health, and we all remain optimistic things will return to "normal" as soon as possible.

LCUMC continued to face financial challenges during 2021. For most of the year, our General Fund Receipts remained behind our General Fund Expenses. Thanks to this congregation's continued stewardship and commitment, we finished the year with a very strong Q4 with General Fund Receipts exceeding General Fund Expenses by \$3,650! In addition, we completed a very successful Building Improvement Capital Campaign. We exceeded our original \$75,000 goal by 33% and received nearly \$100,000 in combined cash donations and pledges. The Trustees are busy addressing the needs outlined in the campaign. More than \$10,000 has already been spent in the following areas:

- Replacing the downstairs HVAC system in the Fellowship Hall and incorporating a dehumidifier. This system failed late last year and has been replaced with a new, energy-efficient unit.
- Ordered a new dehumidifier for the sanctuary. This unit should be installed in Q1 2022.
- Placed a deposit and ordered new carpet for the sanctuary.
- Purchased a new PC to support a planned upgrade to our overall audio/visual system.

We have an additional \$56,687 in the Building Improvement Capital Fund to complete the projects outlined during the campaign. We also have an additional \$32,000 in pledges that will come in over the next two years. To continue our momentum in 2022, it will be important that those pledges come in and we continue a strong flow of monthly contributions to the General Fund.

Our role as a Finance Committee is to ensure we are being good stewards of God's resources and are supporting the Church's missions and ministries. Thanks to your continued stewardship, I am pleased to report Lawrence Chapel UMC finished 2021 with very solid financial results. We have a bright future!

### 2021 Summary

Table 1 provides a summary of our 2021 financial results. For all of 2021, our General Fund receipts totaled \$219,796.23. Our 2021 General Fund Expenses totaled \$216,146.18 which generated a surplus of \$3,650.05. Ensuring our General Fund receipts continue to match our General Fund expenses will be an important part of the Church's long-term financial health.

Our two endowment fund balances performed very well in 2021. The Webb Endowment Fund balance ended the year at \$133,970.71 and the Pastor Housing Support Endowment finished at \$161,032.59. The change in each fund's balance includes market gains, disbursements, and transfers. Both funds are professionally managed and are governed by guidelines established for the funds and are monitored by the Finance Committee. The Webb Endowment specifically supports children/youth director salary and the Pastor Housing Support Endowment specifically supports pastoral housing costs. Given the significant market gains in 2021, the Finance Committee voted to set aside some of the market gains to cover future children/youth and housing costs.

We completed 2021 in a solid financial position with our total fund balances equaling \$532,264.23

### 2021 Priorities

As we transition into a new year, the Finance Committee will complete an audit of our 2021 financial statements and will focus on the Church's 2022 priorities. One of our highest priorities will be supporting the Trustees as they continue to make progress on our building improvements. We will continue to provide updates on our progress throughout the year.

Thank you again for your support of God's work through Lawrence Chapel United Methodist Church. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me or any member of the 2022 Finance Committee if you have any questions or concerns.

John M. – 2022 Lawrence Chapel UMC Finance Chair

**Youth Confirmation:** United Methodists use the term "confirmation" to mark the first time a baptized Christian publicly "confirms" their intention to live the vows of the baptismal and membership covenant and so becomes a professing member of the local congregation and The United Methodist Church. In partnership with Mt. Zion UMC, five of LCUMC's youth will begin the confirmation process in February. Please be praying for our group and those who will assist in teaching and mentoring them in this stage of their faith journey. LCUMC students are Evan, Holden, Avery, Cade, and Ethan.

**FOOD PANTRY** - With the rising prices of grocery and other items, our support to the community continues to be an enormous help. Every "can" makes a difference. Over the next few weeks, in addition to our regular food/other items that are donated, we would like to focus on replenishing our diaper supply. Any sizes would be great! Don't forget that you can also donate FRESH fruits and vegetables.

**LCUMC received another grant!** A big thank you to our member Beth for submitting the application to the Anderson District Congregational Development Committee for a grant of \$3800 to support Witness ministries. The Witness committee will be able to use these funds to support events like Touch-a-Truck, Friday Food Trucks, and Mama Meetup! The Witness Committee is the team of LCUMC disciples who plans, carries out, and evaluates the congregation's witness ministries, helping all know and respond to the love of God in Christ. This includes planning evangelistic outreach.

Lawrence Chapel,

I first want to say thank you for supporting me in ministry, and then, I want to share with you another ministry opportunity. You have always encouraged me and my gifts whether it is preaching on Sunday mornings or traveling to Honduras for missions. Now I can travel to Panama on a Southern Wesleyan University Global Engagement trip. I will be there along with fellow students and one of our professors from March 5-11 of this year during spring break. We will be working with children, primarily, sharing the Gospel and spending time with them. I believe this is something God is doing and wants me to be a part of. The trip will cost approximately \$1,500. I have raised almost half with the support of Saint Mark UMC. When preparing for Honduras, I was humbled by and in awe of your generosity. Would you help me raise the other half? More importantly, would you pray for me in preparation for it and while I am there. I look forward to sharing more about this ministry opportunity with you!

With much love, Victoria

The local church is the community through which the majority of ministers first hear their call to ministry. LCUMC had the privilege of nurturing Will A. during some very formative years as he served as our youth minister and so he declared his candidacy through our local church. Will has recently completed his written paperwork for the Board of Ordained Ministry and will come before the Board on February 8-10 for his oral interviews as a provisional elder in SC UMC Conference. Please be in prayer for Will as he prepares and as he interviews in February. If he successfully navigates these interviews he will be commissioned in June as a Provisional Elder in the UMC. This is the step prior to becoming fully ordained.

Congratulations to Jean T. on the birth of her first great-grandchild. Winn Margaret T. was born on Dec 16 to Patrick and Anne of Nashville, TN.

## Finance continued

### Table 1 - 2021 Lawrence Chapel UMC Financial Summary

<b>Income</b>	
General Fund Income	\$ 219,796.23
Other Fund Income	22,558.48
Building Improvement Capital Campaign	57,814.00
Webb Endowment - Children / Youth Ministry	30,146.00
Pastor Housing Support Endowment	31,885.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<u>\$ 362,199.71</u>
<b>Expenses</b>	
General Fund Expenses	\$ 216,146.18
Building Improvements	\$ 10,472.00
Other Fund Expenses	48,830.94
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<u>\$ 275,449.12</u>
<b>Difference</b>	<u>\$ 86,750.59</u>

### 2021 Year-End Fund Balances

General Operating Fund	\$ 97,184.78
Webb Endowment - Children / Youth Ministry	133,970.71
Pastor Housing Support Endowment	161,032.59
Youth & Children Director Fund Balance	43,506.00
Housing Allowance Support Fund	15,010.70
Other Funds	24,871.92
Building Improvement Capital Fund	56,687.53
<b>Total Fund Balances</b>	<u>\$ 532,264.23</u>

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><u>Sunday Worship</u> In-Person and online worship at 10:30am on Facebook Live lawrencechapelumc  Recorded later on our webpage.</p>		<p><b>1</b> Devo with Pastor Mollie 8:30am Facebook</p>	<p><b>2</b> </p>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<p><b>6</b> Communion Sunday</p>	<p><b>7</b> <i>Mama Meetup</i> 9:15 am in the Fellowship Hall</p>	<p><b>8</b> Devo with Pastor Mollie 8:30am Facebook</p>	<p><b>9</b> <b>Senior Lunch</b> <b>Drive-thru</b> <b>Pickup</b> 11:30am to 12:15pm at LCUMC</p>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b>	<p><b>14</b> <b>Teacher Appreciation</b> <b>Breakfast</b> at Six Mile Elementary 7:30am </p>	<p><b>15</b> <b>16</b> <b>17</b> Pastor Mollie out of town.</p>			<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
		<p>Devotion with Stephen 8:30am Facebook</p>			<p><b>MARCH</b> Newsletter articles are due today.</p>	
<b>20</b>	<p><b>21</b> <i>Mama Meetup</i> 9:15 am in the Fellowship Hall </p>	<p><b>22</b> Devo with Pastor Mollie 8:30am Facebook</p>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
<p><b>27</b>  <b>Admin Council Meeting</b> 11:30am to 3pm Lunch will be provided.</p>	<b>28</b>	<p><b>Lent:</b> A SEASON OF PREPARATION  Begins March 2 on Ash Wednesday</p>	<p>Ash Wednesday pancake dinner beginning at 5:30pm and 7:00 pm service March 2</p>		<p> <b>February</b></p>	



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### **Ministry Staff**

Reverend Mollie Bame Reddic, Pastor  
Elizabeth Bowman, Financial Secretary  
Dr. Howard Kim, Music Director/Pianist  
Maddie Sampson, Nursery

Ken Glenn, Treasurer  
Stephen Singleton, Lay Leader

Reverend Steven Patterson, District Superintendent

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