

## THE RIPPLE EFFECT

God has invited us to be a part of God's acts of new creation. As we step into the flow of what God is doing through the investment of our time, and finances we become a Ripple Effect of God's light and love. Participants in this ripple effect, the words of Solomon in Proverbs 11:25 ring true: "A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed." Thank you for your faithful giving this past year; and thank you in advance for your commitment to invest in the mission and ministry of HPCUMC/Warehouse in 2021!

As we navigate these uncharted waters of COVID-19 we continue to create innovative ways to build community, stay connected, and fulfill our mission and ministry in the community and beyond. As we creatively seek to "refresh others," each commitment made for 2021 is invaluable. We invite you to join us in making a Commitment for 2021. Please complete the Commitment Card you received in the mail and return it to the church one of the following ways: Mail the card to the church, mark the envelope Attn: Anna Lawson; or drop your commitment card off at the church office. Alternatively, you can make your commitment on line at [www.hydeparkchurch.org/realms](http://www.hydeparkchurch.org/realms); or you can email Anna Lawson, [alawson@hpcumc.org](mailto:alawson@hpcumc.org). If you are in need of a commitment card please call the church office and we will mail you a brochure and card.

Thank you for your faithfulness in these uncertain days. You will be in our prayers as you determine how you will invest in the mission and ministry of Hyde Park Community/The Warehouse in 2021; it is a joy to serve in ministry with you

Through Christ,  
Rev. Doug Johns  
Senior Pastor

## ONE & DONE SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

**Have you been looking for an opportunity to serve at HPCUMC?**

"One & Done" are opportunities to serve, usually for just an hour or so at a time, and when you are done...it's done.

Sound simple? It is! Opportunities are listed below. Thank you for your willingness to serve with us in Christ.

### CHURCH OFFICE COVERAGE

Serve on a team that greets and welcomes people in the front office, answers phone during staff meetings and other occasional events. Typically Staff meetings are held on the first Wednesday morning of every month. *Contact Amanda at [akern@hpcumc.org](mailto:akern@hpcumc.org)*

### SUNDAY MORNING OUTDOOR GREETERS

Welcome our church family back to in-person worship by greeting them at the door! Masking and social distancing will be observed. *Please contact Sara Pease at [spease@hpcumc.org](mailto:spease@hpcumc.org) to sign up.*

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## The Impact of Coronavirus on Food Insecurity and What We Can Do About it

Over the last several weeks, the Young Adult Ministry has been reading, listening, and watching various resources engaging with 7 different justice topics. One of the topics that brought about great discussion and ideas was around food insecurity. According to Feeding America, food insecurity in the United States before COVID-19 was at the lowest point since before the Great Recession, and yet more than 37 million people, including more than 11 million children, were food insecure. The current crisis is likely to reverse the improvements that have occurred over the past decade as millions of people are newly at risk of experiencing food insecurity, alongside those who were experiencing food insecurity before COVID-19. Nationally, more than 54 million people, including 18 million children, may experience food insecurity because of COVID-19.

Since the beginning of COVID-19, we have seen how Hyde Park Community UMC has faithfully responded to the needs of the local community, especially when it comes to hunger. To highlight a few: over 9,000 meals were distributed to children in the Spring and before school started, people donated food or money to help Madisonville Education and Assistance Center re-stock their pantries serving over 250 families per distribution day, and money for hotel stays and meals were provided to families working with Interfaith Hospitality Network.

Thanksgiving is another opportunity to respond to the needs of our neighbors in various ways. While we won't be packing Thanksgiving baskets as we've traditionally done, there is a way that you can still personally send love and food to our neighbors.

1. You are invited to donate money to the Thanksgiving Basket ministry so that gift cards to Kroger can be purchased for 552 families. We are collecting your tax-deductible donation instead of Kroger gift cards because we are working directly with Kroger to get the bulk order over cards. Any amount is appreciated and will make a difference! You can donate online at <http://hydeparkchurch.org/give/> (choose Thanksgiving Baskets in the drop down menu) or via check (write Thanksgiving basket in memo line)

2. Knowing that gift cards can be so impersonal to receiving a Thanksgiving basket of food, we are doing a Thanksgiving Greeting Card Campaign! We need 552 cards personalized to send to those receiving the gift cards. Thanksgiving Greeting cards can be picked up and dropped off in the Welcome Center along with instructions. All cards must be returned by November 8.

3. Buy a Thanksgiving Pie by November 16 from Meals on Wheels (formerly Wesley Community Center). Every pie purchased will enable Meals on Wheels Southwest Ohio and Northern Kentucky to feed a senior in our community for an entire week! Pie pick up will start November 22 at the church. Pie your pie online: <https://rb.gy/khmqcy>

Peace,

Kate



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## COLLECTING MONEY AND THANKSGIVING GREETING CARDS FOR THIS YEAR'S THANKSGIVING BASKETS

The Thanksgiving Basket Project will be different this year, due to COVID-19. Instead of packing food into boxes as a way to show love to our neighbors, we are going to give families a \$50 gift card to Kroger. This ministry will impact 552 families in Cincinnati this year and we need to raise \$27,600 to cover the cost of the gift cards. We will be collecting a tax deductible donation and not Kroger gift cards. Your generosity will be especially needed this year, as COVID continues to impact many people. To donate, you can give online at Realm (please select Thanksgiving Baskets from the drop down menu) or make your check payable to HPCUMC with "Thanksgiving Baskets" in the memo line.

## THANKSGIVING GREETING CARDS NEEDED

Since gift cards can be impersonal, we are adding a personal touch by putting the gift card in a Thanksgiving Greeting card. You can write a special note to a family or have your children or grandchildren decorate the cards. They can be picked up on the counter of the Welcome Center and must be returned by November 8.



### October 25, 2020

The Music Ministry of HPCUMC announces the start of the 17th season of the Organ Concert Series on Sunday, October 25 at 4:00 p.m. The program, presented by Rhonda Sider Edgington, will feature music by living women composers, including Margaret Sandresky, Rachel Laurin, Brenda Portman, and Pamela Decker. Ms. Edgington has studied extensively in Germany and is currently the organ instructor at Calvin University in Grand Rapids, Michigan. This concert will be offered both in person (by reservation only) and online. For more information, visit <http://hydeparkchurch.org/organ-concert-series/>.



## THANKSGIVING BASKETS

Do you know a needy family who could use financial help to purchase a Thanksgiving meal? This year, we will not be packing boxes, as usual, but giving \$50 gift cards to Krogers instead.

**Please call the church office @ 871-1345, and speak to Amanda, before November 1st.**



## SCOUTS HOLIDAY WREATH SALE

Back with this popular program for the second year, Boy Scout Troop 114 will be selling holiday wreaths. There are four styles of wreaths as well as one candle centerpiece. If you would like to order go to <https://bsa-troop-114-cincinnati-2.square.site/> and place your order directly.

Scouts Deliver/Porch Drop-Off to Customers: Week of November 23

## SUPPORT THE UNITED METHODIST DISASTER RELIEF EFFORTS

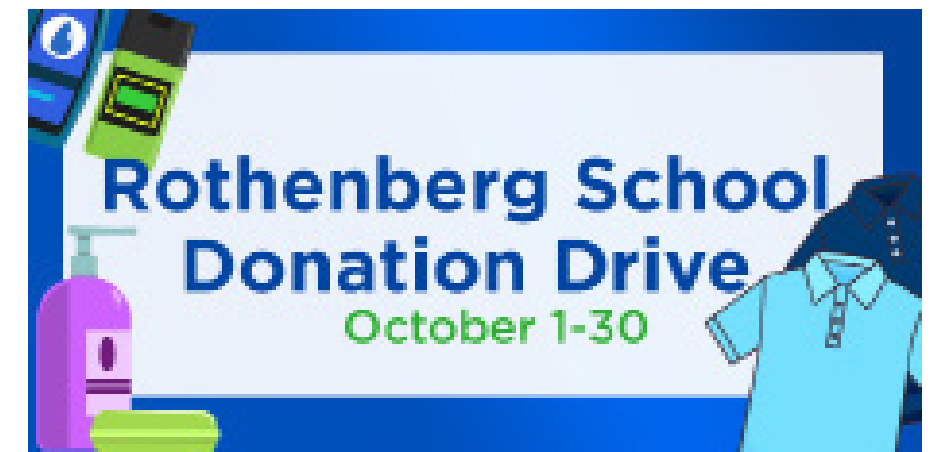
United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is an active presence when disaster hits. UMCOR recently wrote: *For only the second time in history, the 2020 Atlantic hurricane season is so intense that the U.S. National Hurricane Center may resort to naming new storms using letters from the Greek alphabet. And even as millions on the Gulf coasts are deluged with wind, rain, and flooding, as of this writing millions more out West flee massive wildfires. Across the globe, 2020 has seen massive monsoon flooding in South and Central Asia and torrential rains and catastrophic flooding throughout the African continent.*

You can help the recovery efforts of our United Methodist Committee on Relief in one of two ways:

- Donate online: [umcmission.org](http://umcmission.org)
  - Write a check to HPC with Disaster Relief UMCOR in the memo line, place in envelope and clearly identify, Disaster Relief
- Thank you for your help in the healing of our communities, families and individuals. May God's blessings abound!*

## CELEBRATING OUR STEWARDSHIP

Hyde Park Community UMC		
2020 Operating Income and Expense		
September, 2020	Annual Budget	Actual YTD
Pledged Income	\$ 1,227,361	\$ 880,059
Unpledged Income	474,968	251,430
Endowment Draw	1,355,164	1,106,346
Other Income	167,883	105,547
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 3,225,376</b>	<b>\$ 2,343,382</b>
Admin Team	\$ 870,326	\$ 645,802
Staff Ministry	1,568,880	1,137,687
Apportionments	261,345	196,007
Communication Team	17,000	8,417
Bimel Outreach	217,500	198,385
Comm Min Global Out	186,800	131,225
Connecting Ministries	15,000	2,713
Discipleship Ministry	60,875	12,773
Worship Team	27,650	7,563
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$3,225,376</b>	<b>\$ 2,340,572</b>
<b>Net Oper Inc vs Exp</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$ 2,810</b>



This October, Rothenberg students will be back in school in person. As a way to support the students, parents, teachers, and staff in this transition we will be collecting items throughout the month. Donation drop off can happen anytime in October in the Social Hall of the church.

*Please visit [hydeparkchurch.org](http://hydeparkchurch.org) and find the rotating banner on the homepage for the list of items needed.*