

November 3, 2019

Luke 19:1-10

“There You Are”

I see you!

Psalm 67:1-2

**Let God grant us grace and bless us;
let God make his face shine on us, *Selah*
so that God’s way becomes known on earth,
so that God’s salvation becomes known among all the nations.**



**The Indispensable Church
never dies!**

People are looking for God
In us and
In our place.

19 Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through town.
2 A man there named Zacchaeus, a ruler among tax collectors, was rich.
3 He was **trying to see who Jesus** was, but, being a short man, he couldn't because of the crowd.
4 So he ran ahead and climbed up a sycamore tree **so he could see Jesus**, who was about to pass that way.



The Community

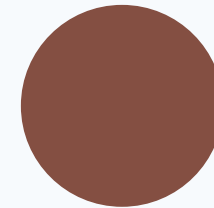
Notices how we tend to our facility.

Notices if they are welcome in our facility.

Notices if the attitude of Jesus is in our facility.

Notices if we are as forgiving to them as we are to us.

The surrounding community is trying to see Jesus.



Rose colored glasses

skew our view of the moment.

The beauty of the past

clouds our vision.

Lack of proximity

blocks clear vision.

We tend
to see with
our memory.

But



Now,

We must see in the present
We must see beyond the norm.
We must see change as hope.

More Ministry for Youth & Children.
More Community Ministry for our Town.
More upgrades to our amazing Facility.



Too often, Church want to cut the budget and restrict use of the facility.

We protect a list of what can't be cut.

We open our facility

to welcome those we can't invite.

We welcome the Community

so they can test the waters

We refresh our facility

to show that our Faith is real.

We believe

that our invitation sets the climate for our future.

The **Open Doors** create the place where people wade into the pool to see if they want to swim with us.

The Pool must be Refreshing, Neatly kept, Up to date, Appealing to all and the Life-Guards must be friendly..



Wesley Hall Upgrades

A New Sound System & Projector
A New Theater Curtain
A Fresh Coat of Paint

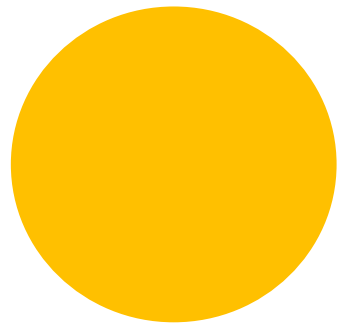
A Newly Paved Parking Lot.

A bit of Roof Repair.

A routine schedule of Painting.

A Reserve for Air-Conditioner Replacement.

2020 Ministry Plan



for **First United Methodist**
● Church

\$125,000.00

x 140 worshipers

= \$18.00

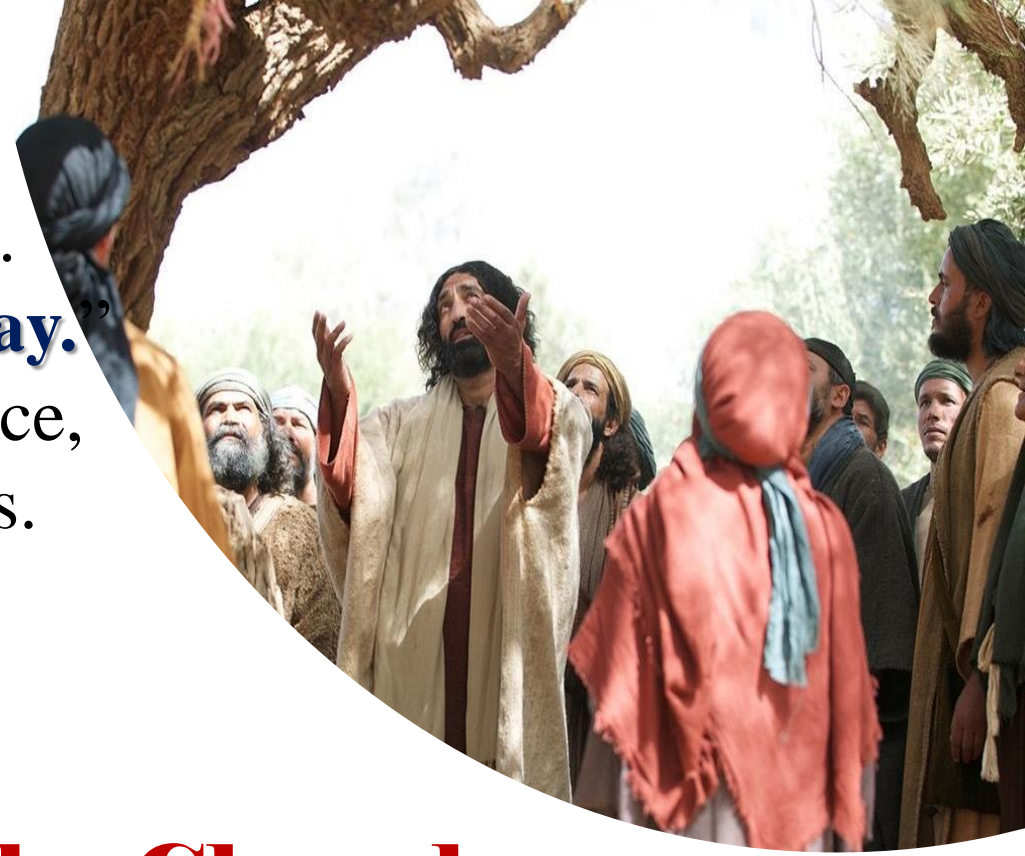
per week

Beautiful Median on the Square.
Middle School Sign or Project.
2 Community Scholarships.
Tutoring Program.
Refresh a home of a citizen.



**Our Faith
out in the Community!**

5 When Jesus came to that spot,
he looked up and said,
“Zacchaeus, come down at once.
I must stay in your home today.”
So Zacchaeus came down at once,
happy to welcome Jesus.



Christ
in us says
“We must
have you
in our house”.

The Church

Feelings
are conveyed
by the simplest acts
and the smallest gifts..

We must get to know you.
We want you here.
We enjoy seeing you.
We love to share our stuff.



⁷ Everyone who saw this grumbled, saying, “He has gone to be the guest of a sinner.”

⁸ Zacchaeus stopped and said to the Lord, “**Look, Lord, I’ll give half of my possessions to the poor. And if I’ll have cheated anyone, I’ll repay them four times as much.**”



Giving our Time and Ability when we can’t give more money.

Giving a Little to be added to others with little makes a lot.

Giving more because we remember not having a lot.

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A New Sound System & Projector.
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Large Screens in our Kids areas.

Fantastic Trips for our Kids.

New Furniture in our Kid's areas.

Keeping the Van running well

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20 people giving an

extra \$3000.00

Reaches 1/2 of our goal.

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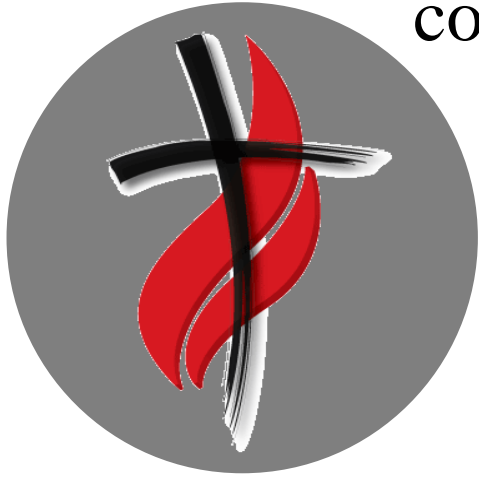
Perhaps a Columbarium.

Family Variety Show.

The Alice Lee Lecture Series.

The Gospel Choir Festival.

⁹ Jesus said to him, “Today, salvation has come to this household because he too is a son of Abraham. ¹⁰God as one of us came to seek and to save those who can’t find their way.



God in Christ Through Us

- Will create a space for others to find their way.
- Will be a refreshing space for weary souls.
- Will grow disciples from students.
- Will bring of love for God’s House in Young Adults.
- Will brighten the hope of our Young Families.

College, First Car,
First Home, Church
are all the gifts we leave to
our Grandkids.



November 17th I will ask you to pledge to our 2020 Ministry Plan.

This plan will include Newly Paved Parking Lot,
Wesley Hall Upgrades, New Youth & Children's Plans,
and Community Mission Projects

 **FIRST
UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH**
of Mowroville **2020:
Our Year to Dream.**



I will ask you to pledge an additional \$125,000.00
toward our 2020 Ministry Plans.

If 140 people increase their giving \$18.00
per week we will achieve this goal quickly.

**If 20 people could give an extra \$3,000.00
between now and Easter,
we would be half-way to our goal.**