

FINAL MILE CAMPAIGN

Construction Capital Needed	\$451,510
Pledges	\$445,501
Pledges Needed	\$ 6,009



Mortgage Support Needed	\$216,000
Pledges	\$186,012
Pledges Needed	\$ 29,988

<i>Pledge Amounts Received</i>	<i>\$374,711</i>
<i>Remaining Pledges to Collect</i>	<i>\$256,802</i>

*Thank you everyone for your commitment to this project.
Please send any pledge updates to edwards@scbloomington.com*

Email Devotionals: The Pastor is writing daily email devotionals during this time of isolation due to corona.
Email office@downsumc.org to be added to the list.

The Swap Room continues to have great success! Have you visited the Swap Room yet? You can donate to the church clean and gently used items that your family is done with (stuff like: small furniture, home decor, toys, games, linens, kitchenware, small electronics, sports or exercise equipment, kick-knacks, DVD's, books, etc.). Church members can shop there by making a donation for whatever they pick up.



The Swap Room is open on Sundays 10:45am until noon.
Please come browse as the items will change each week.
You can also drop items off at this time.

Have questions, use the following email address:
swaproom@downsumc.org



November 15, 2020

SERVICE ONLINE
SUNDAY MORNING
WWW.DOWNSUMC.ORG



309-378-2651
www.downsumc.org

Reverend Ken Burgard
pastor@downsumc.org

Welcome
to



We are so glad you are worshiping with us on line! We would love to know who has joined us, so help us take church attendance by sending an email with the subject "Present". Please sing along if you are familiar with the songs.

If you would like to lend your talents and voices to elements of future online worship services,



FAITH AT HOME PAGE: visit www.downsumc.org to visit the "faith at home" page and find great readable and downloadable content to aid you in growing closer to Go right at home!

This page contains a wide variety of

information:

- * Instructions on creating a worship space at home
- * Spiritual Discipline instructions (new ways to pray and more)
- * Devotions for the whole family while you're home

November 15, 2020

Welcome & Announcements

Worship Song: *Count Your Blessings*

Pastoral Prayer

**Offertory
Doxology**

Scripture Reading: James 1:19-27

Message by Rev. Ken Burgard

Worship Song: *I Lift My Eyes Up*

Benediction

Count Your Blessings

Verse 1

When upon life's billows
You are tempest tossed
When you are discouraged
Thinking all is lost
Count your many blessings
Name them one by one
And it will surprise you
What the Lord hath done

Chorus

Count your blessings
Name them one by one
Count your blessings
See what God hath done
Count your blessings
Name them one by one
Count your many blessings
See what God hath done

Verse 2

Are you ever burdened
With a load of care
Does the cross seem heavy
You are called to bear
Count your many blessings
Every doubt will fly
And you will be singing
As the days go by

Verse 3

When you look at others
With their lands and gold
Think that Christ has promised
You His wealth untold
Count your many blessings
Money cannot buy
Your reward in heaven
Nor your home on high

Verse 4

So amid the conflict
Whether great or small
Do not be discouraged
God is over all
Count your many blessings
Angels will attend
Help and comfort give you
To your journey's end

CCLI Song # 40416

I Lift My Eyes Up

I lift my eyes up to the mountains
Where does my help come from
My help comes from You maker of
heaven
Creator of the earth

I lift my eyes up to the mountains
Where does my help come from
My help comes from You maker of
heaven
Creator of the earth

Oh how I need You Lord
You are my only hope
You're my only prayer
So I will wait for You
To come and rescue me
Come and give me life

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The Festival of Trees

The 2020 HYBRID Festival of Trees offers
both virtual and safe in-person options to
support local kids in need.



STEP 1 - REGISTER TO BID STARTING NOV.

1. The Baby Fold's **new mobile auction website** allows you to browse, bid, and purchase auction items on your mobile device from the safety and convenience of your home. Early bird preview and auction registration begin Nov. 1.

STEP 2 – BID HIGH AND BID OFTEN NOV 15 - 21. All bidding takes place online through the mobile auction website starting Nov. 15 at 6 pm. Auction items will also be on display for your enjoyment at **Eastland Mall** (in the former MC Sports, by Kohl's) **November 16 – 21 from 11am-8pm daily.**

STEP 3 – PICK UP YOUR AUCTION ITEMS NOV. 22. Auction winners will be notified via email and text message after the auction closes. Curbside or walk-in pickup is available for your convenience at Eastland Mall (former MC Sports, by Kohl's) from 12pm-6pm Nov. 22. Thank you for supporting the children of The Baby Fold!

The Baby Fold's Festival of Trees is a long-standing community tradition. Because The Baby Fold is committed to the health of our community, there will be no events or entertainment this year. You can expect a beautiful, one-of-a-kind holiday display. The Baby Fold will create a safe and enjoyable environment; leveraging technology to make bidding easier, safer, and more convenient than ever before. Your support through the purchase of beautifully decorated trees, wreaths, or holiday décor helps families and children in need.

<https://www.thebabyfold.org/festivaloftrees>

During the month of November as we focus on Giving Thanks, the Outreach committee would like to provide you details for virtual opportunities to also Give Back.

Home Sweet Home Ministries - Seeking donations of [URGENT](#) and [EVERYDAY](#) needs. Donations can be dropped off at the front desk at Home Sweet Home Ministries at 303 East Oakland Avenue, Bloomington IL, 61701, (309) 828-7356.

Illinois Heart and Lung Association - Sewing of Masks - Are you able to make handmade masks? The Illinois Heart and Lung Association needs your help. They have tons of fabric but no one to sew. If you think you can help the organization out please lslater@ihlf.org.

Illinois Department of Veteran's Affairs - If you are looking for an awesome way to give back to veterans in a virtual way the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs (IDVA) has launched "Operation Rising Spirit," a campaign challenging service organizations, volunteers, families and friends and local community members to raise the spirits of military veterans and staff members who care for them every day at state veterans' homes in Anna, LaSalle, Manteno and Quincy. Cards, emails, and video messages can be sent directly to the homes and socially distant on-site activities can be coordinated with:

- Illinois Veterans' Home at Anna, 792 N. Main St., Anna, IL 62906; c/o: Anthony Barnett;
- Anthony.Barnett2@illinois.gov
- Illinois Veterans' Home at LaSalle, 1015 O'Conor Ave., LaSalle, IL 61301; c/o: Susan Scully;
- Susan.Scully@illinois.gov
- Illinois Veterans' Home at Manteno, 1 Veterans Dr., Manteno, IL 60950; c/o: Dave Pedersen;

- David.W.Pedersen@illinois.gov

* Illinois Veterans' Home at Quincy, 1707 N. 12th St., Quincy, IL 62301; c/o: Sara Colgrove; Sara.Colgrove@illinois.gov

Midwest Food Bank - Cards of Encouragement for Disaster Relief - Cards are needed for the family food boxes that are sent out for disaster relief situations like hurricanes, floods, and tornados. Cards can be homemade or purchased, and should include a simple message of hope, positivity, and care for the recipient of the box. This is a great family project as cards can also be crafted, signed or decorated by children too! No envelopes are necessary. Completed cards can be mailed to or dropped off at: 2031 Warehouse Road, Normal, IL 61761. Office hours are Mon-Fri from 8 AM – 4 PM.

Operation Gratitude - Operation Gratitude's mission is to forge strong bonds between Americans and their Military and First Responder heroes through volunteer service projects, acts of gratitude, and meaningful engagements in communities nationwide. How you can help.... Do you have a collection of Beanie Babies, or small plush toys like Webkinz or Burt's Bears, and are wondering what to do with them? Or perhaps a surplus of blank greeting/holiday cards? Send them to Operation Gratitude and they will put them in ALL of the care packages they send to deployed Troops! For more details, visit www.operationgratitude.com.

The Loft Rehabilitation and Nursing of Normal - The Loft is looking for some pen pals to write letters to some of their residents. See their [Facebook post](#) that shows photos of each resident needing a pen pal and topics they enjoy talking about.

Online Bible Study Group

Using the online meeting app “Zoom” we will be offering a meetings for prayer and Bible study on Tuesdays, at 10am. Pastor Ken will share a brief Bible study and we’ll have a chance to chat and pray together. We are limiting group size to 12. Please **send an email to: office@downsumc.org** to sign up. You’ll receive an email reply with an invitation to join the scheduled meeting via zoom.

PRAYER LIST

HEALTH & HEALING: Gary Adkisson, Clayton Bryan, Ron Terven; Yvonne Rosenow; Axel Riordan; Karen Walters; Judy Burgard; Robert & Ruth Christmas; Ray Piper; Mary Romine; Scott Romine; Donna Clark

WISDOM: Axel Riordan Family

MILITARY: Josh McBride of the 3rd Infantry Division is going to South Korea

To be added to the prayer list please send information to prayerrequest@downsumc.org or calling the office at 378-2651. Please be sure to mention if permission has been granted to publish each individual’s name.

PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS are done through email. To be notified of a prayer request, please let the office know that you would like to be included in that group email.

When making prayer requests, please send an email to prayerrequest@downsumc.org and it will be sent to the group.

Today & This Week



Sun 11/15	9:30am	On Line Worship In Person Worship with restrictions. Please see the website.
	6:00pm	High School Youth in Loft/annex Fellowship Hall
Mon 11/16	6:00pm	Boy Scouts in Basement
Tues 11/17	10:00am	Zoom Bible Study
	2-6pm	Filming in Sanctuary
	6-7:30pm	3rd & Below in Church Basement
Wed 11/18	4:00pm	Journey Group in Classroom
	5:00pm	Worship Team in Sanctuary
	6-7:30pm	Next Gen in church basement Loft & Annex
Sun 11/22	**	On Line Worship Service
	9:30am	In Person Worship with restrictions. Please see the website.
	6-7:30pm	HS Youth in Annex/Loft/ Fellowship Hall

ALL meetings and groups using the facility need to schedule through Janice at office@downsumc.org.

Please don’t assume usual meeting space will be available, or that verbal okays from anyone else will guarantee your spot. Thank you in advance for your help with this.

PLEASE NOTE: The Food Pantry no longer needs empty laundry detergent bottle. Thank you for all that has been donated.