

**Info as of 2/19
FINAL MILE CAMPAIGN**

Construction Pledges	\$472,391
Mortgage Pledges	\$237,597
Total Pledges	\$709,988

Pledge Amounts Received \$666,056

Remaining Pledges to Collect \$ 43,932

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

Weekly Update

Last Sunday's in person attendance 86

4 Week average giving \$3722

Weekly Need \$4347

WAYS TO GIVE: www.downsumc.org

--Our drop box on Pillar outside the front door

or mail to: Downs UMC

205 S Highway Ave

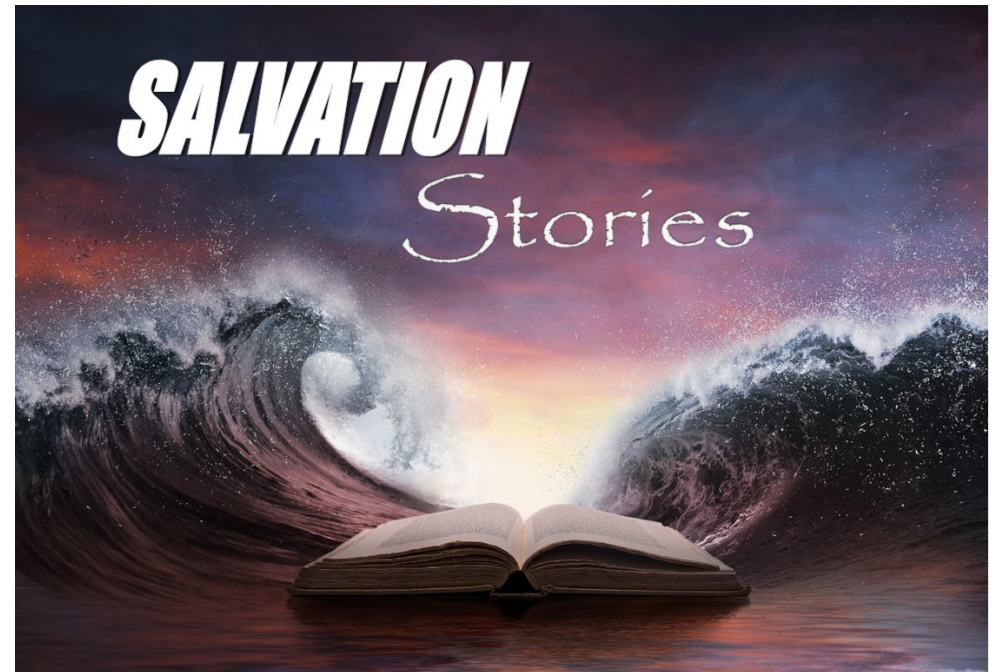
Downs, IL 61736

Reminder: Giving on line doesn't go on vacation



February 26, 2023

**SUNDAY MORNING
IN PERSON AT 9:30AM
ONLINE SERVICE BY
WEDNESDAY @
WWW.DOWNSUMC.ORG**



309-378-2651

www.downsumc.org

Reverend Ken Burgard

pastor@downsumc.org

Welcome

to



We are so glad you are worshipping with us!

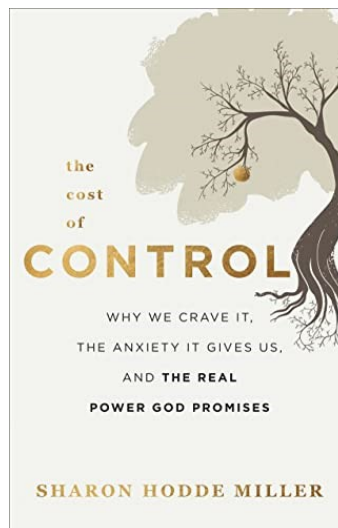
We would love to know who has joined us, so please sign in on the attendance pads that will be passed in each row.

Nursery: is located to the right as you exit the sanctuary through the double doors. It is at the far end of the fellowship hall.

Restrooms: Can be reached by exiting the sanctuary through the back left door as you face the stage. They are right by the Nursery.



Children's Church is designed for K-3rd Graders. We will meet in Classroom #1 or the Youth Room. They will meet Kyle at the front of the Worship Center and head out after the Doxology (so they'll meet during the Scripture Reading, Sermon and Closing Song/Benediction). Children will return to the worship service for the closing song.



BOOK CLUB
TUESDAYS
6:30pm in the Chapel

The book is "The Cost of Control: Why We crave It, the Anxiety It Gives Us, and the Real Power God Promises" Available on Amazon or Kindle.

The first two chapters will be discussed this coming week.

Sewing Group will meet on Monday, February 27th 6-9pm. All are welcome to join them. No sewing experience is needed.



COMING MARCH 5TH

**ANNUAL CHILI/
POTATO SUPPER
SPONSORED BY
THE GOOD SAM
COMMITTEE**

**Sign ups in the
Welcome Area for
workers.**



Today & This Week

Sun 2/26	8:30am	Sunday School in Youth Room
	9:30am	Worship Service/Children's Church
	10:30pm	Fellowship
	10:45am	Swap Room Open
	4:00pm	Bible Study in Chapel
	4:30pm	Girl Scouts in YR
	6:00pm	Confirmation Class in YR
Mon 2/27	6:00pm	Boy Scouts in YR
	6:00pm	Sewing Group in FH
Tues 2/28	10:00am	Sr. Bible Study in YR
	6:30pm	Book Club in Chapel
Wed 3/1	4:00pm	Journey Group
	5:30pm	Next Gen Ministries
	6:00pm	Choir Practice in Chapel
Thur 3/2	6:00pm	Webelos in YR
	7:00pm	Worship Team on Stage
Sat 3/4	1-3pm	Decorating Committee
Sun 3/5	8:30am	Sunday School in Youth Room
	9:30am	Worship Service/Children's Church
	10:30pm	Fellowship
	10:45am	Swap Room Open
	4:00pm	Bible Study in Chapel
	4:30pm	Chili Supper in FH
	6:00pm	Confirmation Class in YR

ALL meetings and groups using the facility need to schedule through the office at office@downsumc.org or 309-378-2651

Please don't assume 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. *Should plans change and your ministry doesn't meet please let the office know.*

February 26, 2023

Welcome

House of the Lord
Hold Us Together

John 8:31-35

Special Music: Yes He Can

*Whom Shall I Fear-God of Angel Armies
10,000 Reasons*

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory—Glorious Day
Doxology

Children's Church

Exodus 1:8-14

Message by Rev Ken Burgard
Salvation Stories

Call to Mission

Blessed Be Your Name

Benediction



HEALTH & HEALING:

Ron Terven; Axel Riordan; Robert & Ruth Christmas; William Shives; Lori Roland; Gary Adkisson; Barb Jones; Ginger Campbell; Cece Krone; Scott Haynes; Sandy Courson, Dawn Belmar

WISDOM: Colby & Lexi Riordan Family; Deb Bricker

Long Term Care: Skip Conrad, Scott & Mary Lou Romine, Pastor Curt Rush,

We have an active prayer chain at Downs UMC and we believe in the power of prayer. If you would like your name added to the prayer list or the prayer chain please follow the instructions below. God hears us when we pray, and blesses us with His answers to prayer.

To be added to the prayer list (for ongoing requests) please send information to prayerrequest@downsumc.org or call the office at 378-2651. Please be sure to mention if permission has been granted to publish each individual's name.

To be added to the prayer chain (for urgent or time-sensitive requests) please send an email to office@downsumc.org.

To be a member of the prayer chain and be notified of a prayer request, please let the office know that you would like to be included in that group email.



Wednesdays

Next Gen Ministries has begun with all ministries (K-12) back on Wednesday night along with a meal.

K-3rd Grade 5:30-7:00 Music, Lesson, Dinner and Games

4th-8th Grade 5:30-7:00 Games, Dinner and Lesson

High School will meet 6:30-8pm Dinner, Lesson and Games

Choir will also be meeting at 6pm in the Chapel. Go check them out.

If you would like to help with the meals on Wednesday night, please let the office know.

Scholarships Available for United Methodist Students!

Applications are now open for scholarships from the United Methodist Higher Education Foundation. Every year, UMHEF awards \$2+ million to students planning to attend one of the 100+ UM-related colleges, universities, and seminaries across the country. Don't let finances get in the way of achieving your dreams of a quality education! Apply by March 1 at <https://umhef.org/apply>.

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

