

Weekly Update

Info as of 4/6
CONTINUE THE MIRACLE CAMPAIGN



PLEDGES FOR 2024-2026	\$278,918
<i>Amounts Received</i>	<u><i>\$201,344</i></u>
<i>Remaining</i>	<i>\$ 77,574</i>

*Thank you everyone for your commitment to this project.
Pledge cards are still being accepted. Please send any pledge
updates to dumcfinancial@gmail.com*

Last Sunday's in person attendance	86
4 Week average giving as of 4/6	\$5,564
Weekly Need in 2025	\$4,616

*Weekly giving is ahead by \$9,452 as of 4/6. Thank you
to everyone's generosity! Please prayerfully consider
how you can help with giving throughout 2025.*

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

**You may not see everyone putting tithes and offerings in
the offering plate due to several people giving on line.**



DOWNS
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

April 13, 2025



Kingdom to the Earth Series

SUNDAY MORNING IN PERSON AT 9:30AM
ONLINE SERVICE BY WEDNESDAY

309-378-2651
www.downsumc.org

Reverend Allen Miller
pastor@downsumc.org

Welcome

to



We are so glad

you are worshiping 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.



Busy Bags are available at the entrance to the Worship Center for the children to use during the worship service. There are stickers, crayons, lacing items, etc. Please return the bags to the tote by the Worship Center Entrance after the service.



Children's Church is designed for K-3rd Graders. We will meet in Classroom #1 or the Youth Room. They will meet a volunteer at the front of the Worship Center and head out after the Doxology (so they'll meet during the Scripture Reading, Sermon and Up Next). Children

will return to the worship service for the closing song.

Communion Sundays they will not meet.

Today & This Week

Sun 4/13	No Sunday School 9:30am 10:45am 10:45am 10:45am 10:45am 3:45pm 6:00pm 6:00pm	School Worship Service/Youth Worship/ Children's Church UWF in Youth Room High School Next Gen Fellowship Swap Room 4-H in Fellowship Hall Bible Study in Chapel Confirmation in the YR
Mon 4/14	5:00pm 6:00pm 6:00pm 6:00pm	Trustee Meeting in YR Sewing Group in Fellowship Hall Nurture Committee in Library Boy Scouts in Worship Center
Tues 4/15	10:00am	Bible Study in YR and Zoom
Wed 4/16	7:30-12:30 4:00pm 5:30pm 6:00pm	Tri-Valley Testing in WC/YR/CR Journey Group Next Gen K-8 Choir in Chapel
Thur 4/17	6:00pm 7:00pm 8:00pm	Journey Group in CR 2 Maundy Thursday Service Worship Team on Stage
Fri 4/18	7:00pm	Good Friday Service
Sun 4/20	6:30am 7:30-9am 8-9am No Sunday School 9:30am 10:45am	Sunrise Service Easter Breakfast Swap Room Worship Swap Room



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



Tuesday morning Bible Study is in person in the Youth Room at 10am. If you want to be added to the Zoom invite, please let the office know.

Sunday night Bible Study is at 6pm in the Chapel.



Choir practices on Wednesdays in the Chapel at 6pm. All are welcomed to join in!

The Swap Room located in the building West of the church building 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**



Adults will not meet on 4/20.

Join them again on 4/27 at 8:30am in the Youth Room.



Hello dear friends at Downs UMC! I hope this little sweetie's face says it all. Thank you for the marble mazes that will keep hands busy and classrooms (cars, sofas, bedrooms...) quiet. Having something specially hand made for our kids means a lot to the children AND staff and parents. God bless you again and again. *Rev. Lori Bultemeier*

THANK YOU TO THE SEWING GROUP FOR MAKING THIS DONATION!

Leigh Hayes is asking for no visitors at this time, but Cards may be sent to: 116 N Pintail Lane, Downs, 61736



Wednesday Night Activities meet each week on Wednesday starting at 5:30-7pm.

Thank you to everyone that has helped with the meals this year! It is GREATLY appreciated. We have coverage through the rest of the school year.



April 13, 2025

Welcome

Choir Special: *All Glory Laud, and Honor And Children with the Palms*

"Worship the King"

Choir Response: *Holy Holy Holy (Hosanna)*

Holy is the Lord

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna #174

O Worship the King #10

Mark 11:1-7

***All Hail King Jesus
You Are My King***

Pastoral Prayer

**Offertory: *He Chose the Cross*
Doxology**

Children's Church

Mark 11:8-11

Message by Rev Allen Miller

Kingdom to the Earth: Everybody Loves a Parade

***"A Very Special Week"*
Up Next**

My Hope Is in the Lord #406

Benediction



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 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.

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.

CURRENT REQUESTS

HEALTH & HEALING: Ron Terven; Axel Riordan; Ruth Christmas; Lori Roland; Cece Krone; Sandy Courson, Dawn Belmar, Ellen Bricker; Linda Murphy; Leigh Hayes; Jimmy Roach; Beverly Hamblin and Family; Cameron Jones; Nancy Kiper; Guy Campbell; Abby Miller; Patrick Moran; Jonathan Thompson; Kathie Foster

WISDOM: Colby & Lexi Riordan Family; Deb Bricker; Cameron Jones

LONG TERM CARE: Pastor Curt Rush

MILITARY: Blaise McNeese, Matthew Kelly, Michael Allen

PEACE & COMFORT: Pam Rush

HOLY WEEK SERVICES



April 17 at 7pm



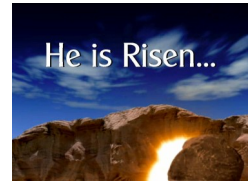
April 18 at 7pm



April 20 at 6:30am



April 20-7:30am



April 20-9:30am

Midwest Food Bank in Normal needs volunteers! As food insecurity grows in our communities, Midwest Food Bank has increased their efforts to support the agencies who serve those in need. God has been so generous with his blessings of donations to the food bank, and with the increase in these blessings comes a need for an increase in our volunteer team. To learn more about volunteering at Midwest Food Bank in Normal, IL, please join us at our Volunteer Fair on April 22 from 10am-1pm.

Volunteers can also visit [Midwest Food Bank of Illinois-Bloomington-Normal - Midwest Food Bank](#) and look for Volunteer opportunities.

Midwest Food Bank looks forward to working with members of your church to share the love of Jesus Christ by alleviating hunger and malnutrition locally and throughout the world!

An informational flyer for their Volunteer Fair is on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.

Camping Information

Is on the welcome desk.