

Stewardship Sunday - 2023 Pledge Form

Each time a new member joins our church, we respond with: “We renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the church by our **prayers, our presence, our gifts, and our service**, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.”

You are invited to fill out this form and return it as an offering in worship, or at the boxes marked at the back of the sanctuary and Welcome Center, or to the church office. For service opportunity questions, contact Beth Valentine at elizabeth.valentine@firstumchershey.org or 717-350-9251. For financial questions, please contact Greg Holsinger at gregoryholsinger@outlook.com or 717-395-5060.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

Email address: _____

- Please add me to the church email list yes/no

In 2023, I commit to praying for First UMC ____ times per week.

In 2023, I commit to attending worship ____ times this year.

In 2023, I commit to inviting ____ people to First UMC this year.

PLEDGE: With God’s help, I make the following financial commitment to support God’s ministry in and through First UMC.

Amount: \$ _____ per (circle one) week/month/year

We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

I will serve in the following way(s) – check all areas of interest

Sunday Morning Worship

- Liturgist (read Call to Worship, Opening Prayer, and Scripture during worship)
- Greeter (stand at the main door and welcome people coming to worship)
- Usher (distribute bulletins prior to worship and pass offering plates during worship)
- Welcome Center Host (help welcome visitors in the Narthex before or after worship)
- Hospitality Table Host (set up refreshments in the Narthex before worship)
- Tech Team (help with sound or cameras for worship and live-streaming)
- Altar Guild (help with communion preparation, changing paraments, filling candles)
- Money Counter Team (calculate and document the offering after worship)

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Music Ministry

- Sanctuary Choir (sing in traditional choir at 10:00 a.m. worship)
- Trinity Choir (sing in traditional choir at 8:00 a.m. worship)
- Praise Team (sing or play instrument in contemporary group at 10:00 a.m. worship)
- Handbell Choir (ring handbells in group)
- Instrumentalist (play with a choir anthem or a solo for prelude or offertory)

Children's Ministry

- Discovery Club assistant (grades K – 4, assist leaders on Sunday evenings)
- BOND Group special events assistant (grades 5 & 6, varying dates on Sunday evenings)
- Sponsor a child for the After School program at \$50 a month

Youth & Young Adult Ministry

- Youth Ministry special events assistant (grades 7 – 12, varying dates on weekends)
- Provide meals for Kids+Youth (sign up for selected Sunday evenings)
- Host for Young Adult group (ages 18 – 30, provide place to meet and/or meal on a Thursday evening)

Congregational Care

- Card Ministry Team (send cards to shut-in's and others)
- Covenant Prayer Group (receive weekly email list for intercessory prayer)
- Home Communion Team (assist with taking communion to shut-in's)
- Meals (provide temporary meal assistance for those recovering from illness or other)
- Visitation Team (assist with visiting members in residential care or unable to leave home)
- Van driver for various activities (background checks required)

Mission & Outreach

- Mission R.O.C.S. (Reaching Out in Christian Service) team (assist in planning events and financial support for missions, meet 1st Thursday of month at 7 p.m.)
- Participate in local outreach projects
- Participate in national mission trips
- Participate in international mission trips

United Methodist Women

- Circle of Hope (various outreach projects, meet 1st Wednesday of month at 10 a.m.)
- Faith Circle (sewing and craft projects, meet 2nd Wednesday of month at 9 a.m.)

Other: _____