

Open Hearts United Methodist Church

2025 NARRATIVE BUDGET



Every dollar you give to God through Open Hearts UMC goes towards our vision to “cultivate a welcoming community – united in God’s love, guided by scripture, and empowered by the Holy Spirit - to live out Jesus Christ’s teachings.”

Your generosity through GIFTS, TITHES, and OFFERINGS supports ministries that help our community ...



WORSHIP

\$164,018

20% of the budget provides for meaningful worship and engaging rituals.

Inspiring Sermons
Musical Leadership
Guest Musicians
Worship Visuals
Music Supplies
Liturgical Decor
Lectionary Books
Candles and Oil
Pew Supplies
Instrument Maintenance
Worship Bulletins
Online Worship

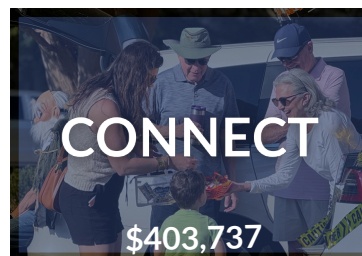


SERVE

\$138,320

17% of the budget allows us to serve members of church and our community.

Impact-focused Leadership
Pastoral Visits
Youth Mission Trip
Soup Ministry Supplies
Community Egg Hunt
Community Fall Fest
Youth Mission Trip
Blood Drives
Security Services
AED Defibrillators
Fire Safety
Mission Partnerships



CONNECT

\$403,737

51% of the budget helps connect the congregation to each other and the community.

Administrative Leadership
Facilities
Welcoming Space
Realm Subscription
New Member Nametags
Signage and Banners
Internet Services
Phone Services
Shrove Pancake Supper
Coffee Supplies
Event Logistics
Newsletter Software



GROW

\$92,695

12% of the budget helps nurture spiritual growth through intentional discipleship.

Youth Retreat
Relational Leadership
Nursery Support
Staff Development
Classroom Supplies
Curriculum
Youth Meals
3rd Grade Bibles
Children's Baptism book
Church Library
Devotional Booklets

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PROJECTED REVENUES

Contributions	\$655,000
UMC Conference Support	121,770
Other Income	22,000
Total Revenues	\$798,770

ANTICIPATED EXPENSES

Compensation & Benefits	\$393,500
Administrative	73,720
Property Expense	208,025
Utilities	38,600
Discipleship	17,150
Worship	49,600
Missions	18,175
Total Expenses	\$798,770

We are entering our second year in ministry - which includes seeking financial stability that will prepare us for chartering! Our goal is to increase contributions to cover the cost of several church start benefits we currently receive from the SC United Methodist Conference (SCUMC). In 2026, these contributions will begin to decline every year as we move towards chartering. We also hope to build ourselves up towards giving apportionments to the SCUMC, after a grace period of 2 years after chartering.

Looking forward, we hope to:

- Add more worship visuals to engage your senses.*
- Improve mechanical systems to make our building safer, more accessible and efficient.*
- Set up Sunday Bible School for success with engaging crafts and lessons.*
- Foster free community events to reach more people beyond our church.*
- Use mission dollars to equip and educate our congregation to support our community.*
- Invest in a newly designed, more engaging and appealing website.*

Your generous gifts to the Church Operating Budget are essential to supporting our inspiring staff and clergy, funding impactful ministries within the church and the broader community and keeping our building heated, cooled and safe.

Whether you're a member or a regular attendee, we deeply appreciate your financial contributions.

Thank you,
The Finance Committee