# FORWARD IN FAITH

**Make your commitment to lay the foundation for future ministry by supporting the new building addition that will focus on Children's Ministry.**

***" All aspects of our church seemingly have grown this year, maybe not in numbers but in spirit and dedication to the purposes to which we have committed ourselves as Christians."***

1969 HUMC
Lay Leader Report
Dr. Sam McConnell-
Lay Leader





**What does HUMC mean to you?**



*"From kindergarten to now I've grown in my faith so much. I went from begging not to go to church to praying every night. It's sort of my second home."*

Annabelle Hill-5th grader

*"It means to me everything because my friends are here and they treat everyone like family and I can learn about God!"*

Emma Rose Martin-5th grader

***"The real question we face is not, 'Can we afford to?' but rather, 'Can we afford not to?"'***

April 1973, John Y. Bacon- Pastor
*Speaking to the planning for our eventual 1988 expansion*




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# Hixson United Methodist Church
## 2015 Narrative Operating Budget

1889 — CELEBRATING 125 YEARS — 2014



## *Our Mission*

Partnering with God to transform the world by offering Help, Hope & Healing through Jesus Christ

## *Our Process*

Building our relationship with God and others while putting our faith into action

We are the Body of Christ, called to mission and ministry in the Hixson community and beyond. From mission work in faraway lands to Upward Basketball, from disaster assistance to providing food for hungry school children, from children's ministry to weekly worship experiences Hixson United Methodist Church continues in its mission of partnering with God to transform the world by offering help, hope and healing as disciples of Jesus Christ. As the church celebrates 125 years of worship and service, we look forward to the challenges of growing ministry for generations to come. In this brochure, there is information on how we can partner together to provide resources for ministry and our proposed building expansion. Please be in prayer as to your commitment and participation in providing resources for growing in mission and moving forward in faith!

# GROWING IN MISSION

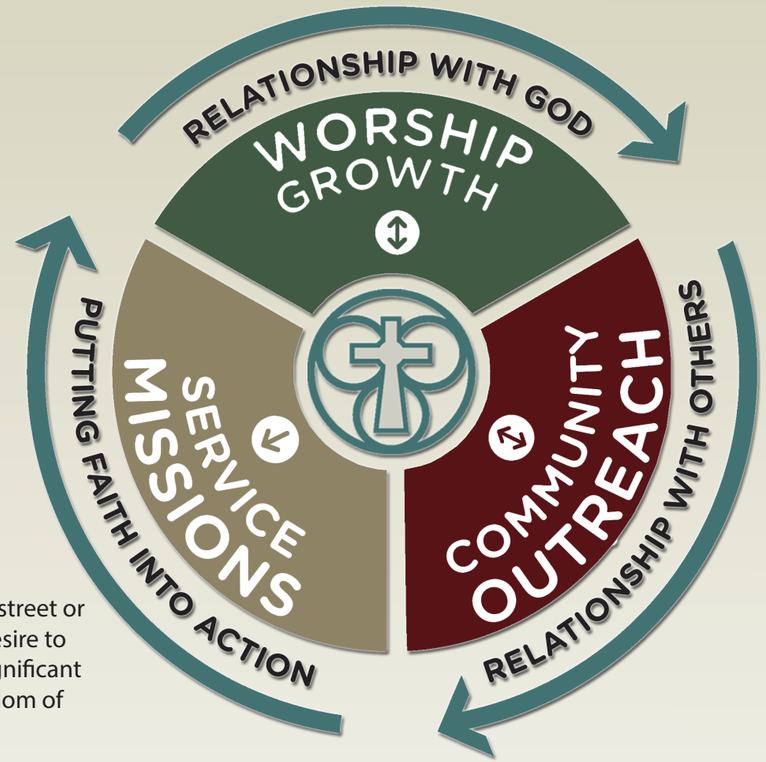
### Worship
We seek to honor and glorify God in every aspect of our lives, from our finances, to the integrity of our relationships, to our personal and corporate gatherings of worship.





### Service
By the Holy Spirit, each of us discovers and uses our spiritual gifts to keep the body of Christ healthy and thriving in an area of service that matches our gifts and passions.

### Missions
Whether it is down the street or across the ocean, we desire to make a tangible and significant difference for the Kingdom of Christ in the world.




### Spiritual Growth
We grow in our knowledge of Christ and experience God in many ways as He begins to form His character in us.



### Community
As we live in authentic community with other believers, Christ uses those relationships to change us and mature our faith.



### Outreach
We are called to extend the love, grace and hope of Jesus to a lost and dying world, and it starts across the street, across the hall, on the field and the sidelines.

# TOTAL BUDGET
# $1,591,023

### Pastoral Ministry
**$242,395**

Pastoral Ministry partners with the congregation to lead, nurture and embody Christian discipleship helping people to grow in loving God and neighbor.

- Preaching and Teaching
- Celebrating Sacraments
- Visioning
- Visitation
- Pastoral Care
- Administration

### Music and Worship
**$165,497**

Music and Worship provides inspiring worship (traditional, contemporary and reflective) by giving people of all ages opportunities to express their faith explore their God-gifted talents and offer those gifts back to God.

- Choral Ensembles for all ages
- Instrumental Ensembles
- Individual Musicians
- Preschool Music Education
- Drama and Visual Art
- Worship Leadership and Support

### Mission and Outreach
**$206,738**

Whether down the street or across the ocean, we extend the hope and love of Christ to a world in need by offering our resources, presence and services to the glory of God and for human fulfillment.

- Interfaith Homeless Network
- Camp Lookout
- Short Term Missions
- HUMC Missionaries
- UTC Wesley Center
- Upward Basketball

### Christian Formation
**$270,762**

The lifelong journey of discipleship. Children, Youth and Adult ministries strategically work together to create a pathway for people of all ages to nuture faith and grow towards maturity in Christ, from birth through adulthood.

- Nursery and Preschool
- Children
- Students
- Young Adults
- Adults
- Parents and Families
- Older Adults

### Administration
**$214,299**

Providing our congregation, pastors and program staff with the support they need to implement and carry out the mission of our church. This includes:

- Website Maintenance
- Communications Tools
- Stewardship and E-giving
- Bulletins and Publications
- General Office Activities
- Special Event Assistance

### Facilities
**$491,332**

Supporting the mission of our church by providing space and amenities for our existing ministries and the growing needs in our congregation and community.

- 81,000 ft on 2 campuses
- Supporting 3 weekday childcare programs
- 100+ rooms
- 37 HVAC Units
- 23 Restrooms, 6 Showers
- 6.25 Acres of Greenspace
- $8,636,000 Building/Contents Insured
- Debt Service