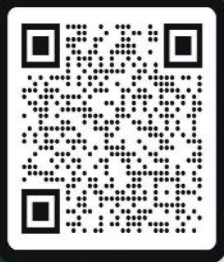


THANKSGIVING SPECIAL OFFERING



SUPPORTING
HIGHER EDUCATION



*Impacting the Church and World by Bringing
Students and Resources Together*

Thanksgiving Offering

For **130 years**, the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) has made a commitment to nurturing and supporting higher education through the general ministry of HELM (Higher Education & Leadership Ministries), formerly the Division of Higher Education. Through relationships with the **15 Colleges/Universities and 7 Seminaries/Divinity Houses** connected to the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), HELM is able to continue its mission of developing and nurturing Christian leaders who are transforming church, society and world.

Every November the Church dedicates its General Offering to support these institutions. The collection goes straight to the institutions and enables them to offer scholarships, expand programs, and offer assistance through faith-based services. Support through this annual offering is a critical part of our ongoing collaborative work between the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and higher education.

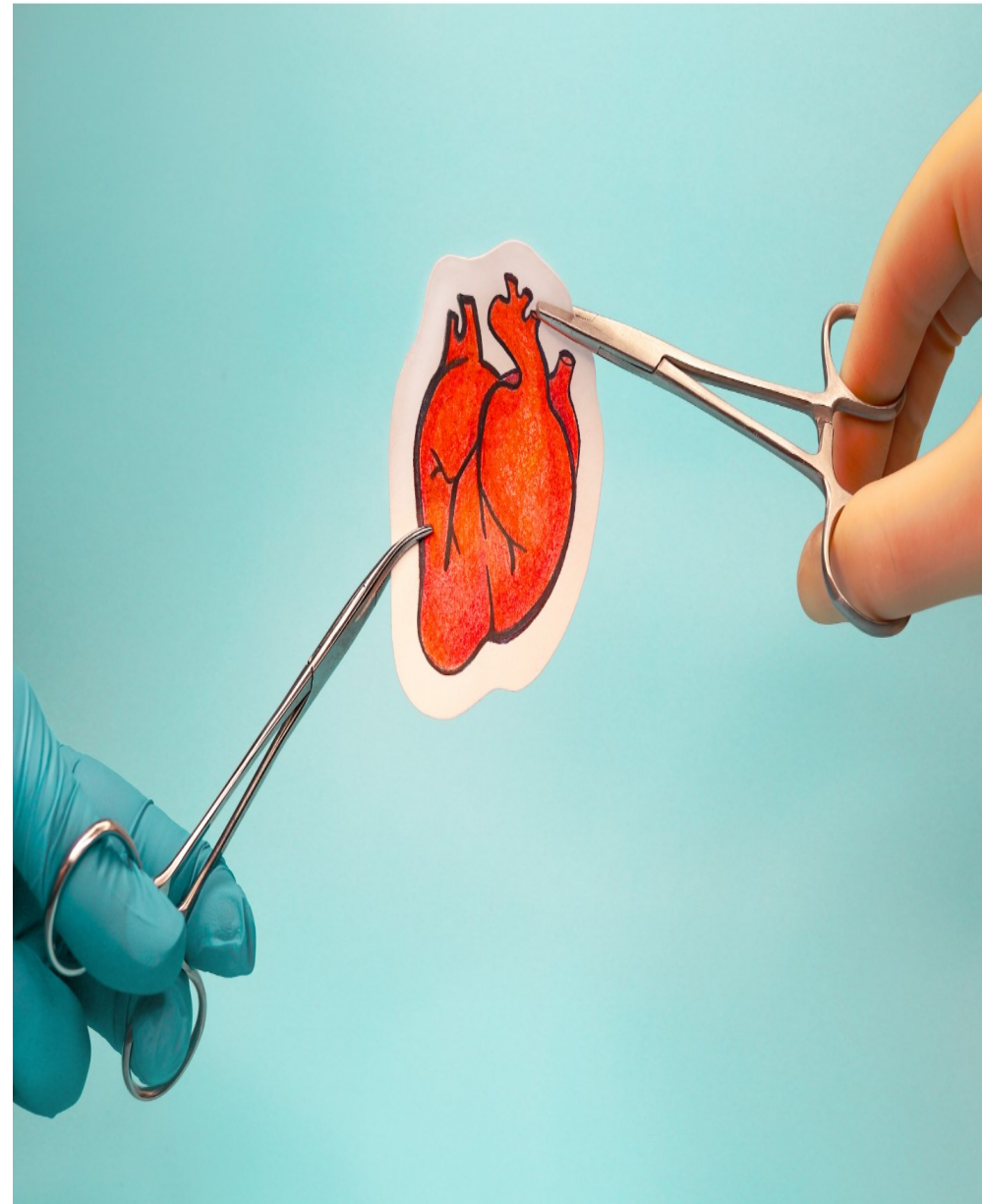
Please consider a generous donation as we come together to help make a difference in the lives of thousands of students, giving them a strong foundation to build upon as they prepare to go out and do great things in the world.

Thank You!

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November 24, 2024 9:30 a.m.

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Sunday, November 24, 2024

Joys and Concerns

Rev. Sharla Hulsey

In order to respect privacy, joys and concerns will be discussed before the public livestream. If you need to add someone, please fill out a prayer request form and place in the offering tray as it is passed.

Welcome and Announcements

Chuck Lewis, Elder

If you are joining Sunday worship via Facebook Live, let us know you are tuning in by leaving a comment on the live stream video or visit fccbutler.org and click the Register Attendance button.

WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

Prelude

Mary Coffman

Bringing the Light of Christ into the Sanctuary

*Call to worship (please rise as able)

Chuck Lewis & Congregation

L: Praised are you, Lord our God, Ruler of the universe.

**P: You grant us life and sustain us,
and have caused us to reach this day.**

L: We give thanks to you, O God, we give thanks to you;

P: we call upon your name, and recount your wondrous deeds.

L: Praised are you, Lord our God, Ruler of the universe.

**P: You graciously bestow favor upon all your people,
as you have bestowed favor upon us.**

L: We give thanks to you, O God, we give thanks to you;

P: we call upon your name, and recount your wondrous deeds.

*Opening Hymn

CH #718 (all)

"Come Ye Thankful People Come"

*Invocation

Chuck Lewis & Congregation

Praised are you, Lord our God, Ruler of the universe.

**You have withheld nothing from your world,
and you have created the beauty of this land
for your people to enjoy.**

We give thanks to you, O God, we give thanks to you;

we call upon your name, and recount your wondrous deeds.

Amen.

Prayer Hymn

CH # 528 (with repeats)

"Give Thanks"

Silent Meditation

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Sharla Hulsey

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Musical Interlude

Mary Coffman

Responsive Reading

Chuck Lewis & Congregation

Psalm 121 (JPS Translation)

L: I turn my eyes to the mountains;
from where will my help come?

**P: My help comes from the LORD,
maker of heaven and earth.**

L: He will not let your foot give way;
your guardian will not slumber;

**P: See, the guardian of Israel
neither slumbers nor sleeps!**

L: The LORD is your guardian,
the LORD is your protection
at your right hand.

**P: By day the sun will not strike you,
nor the moon by night.**

L: The LORD will guard you from all harm,
He will guard your life.

**P: The LORD will guard your going and coming
now and forever.**

Special Music

Adult Choir

"A Thanksgiving Flourish"

Scripture

Carol Hedrick

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Message

Sharla Hulsey

"Open Heart Surgery"

Invitation to Discipleship

Sharla Hulsey

* <u>Invitation Hymn</u>	CH # 715(1,3)
<i>"Now Thank We All Our God"</i>	
<u>Musical Interlude</u>	Mary Coffman
<u>Offering Meditation</u>	Diana Rich
<u>Tithes & Offerings</u>	Diaconate
<i>Offering trays will be passed in the pews.</i>	
* <u>Doxology</u>	CH #47
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.	
* <u>Prayer of Dedication</u>	Chuck Lewis
<u>Call to Communion</u>	Sharla Hulsey
<u>Communion Hymn</u>	CH # 714 (all)
<i>"For the Fruit of All Creation"</i>	
<u>Words of Institution</u>	Sharla Hulsey
<u>Communion Prayer</u>	Chuck Lewis
<u>Distribution of the Elements</u>	Diaconate
<i>Everyone is welcome at Christ's Table. Those who are comfortable doing so, please come forward down the center aisle to partake at the table. Deacons will serve those who remain seated.</i>	
<u>WE DEPART TO SERVE</u>	
* <u>Benediction</u>	Sharla Hulsey
<i>Taking the Light of Christ into the World</i>	
* <u>Closing Hymn</u>	CH # 86 (Refrain only)
<i>"Great is Thy Faithfulness"</i>	

SERVING TODAY

Pastor: Rev. Sharla Hulsey	Greeter: Carol Hedrick
Elder: Chuck Lewis	Scripture Reader: Carol Hedrick
Deacons: Don Cole, Gary Coffman	Choir Director: Carol Ann Winburn
	Accompanist: Mary Coffman

OUTREACH MISSION - For November, we collected 460lbs of potatoes for the Community Thanksgiving Dinner, **JOB WELL DONE!!!**
In December we will be collecting children's hats & gloves for the Grade school & Pre-school. Thank You!

***KETCH-UP CAMPAIGN** - The Stewardship Committee started a "Ketch-up" campaign to help replenish the FCC reserve fund. Please note on your donation that it is for the "Ketch-up" campaign.

***The Disciples Women** will sponsor a congregational Christmas card exchange this year. The directory list and box are located in the foyer. Feel free to join in exchanging cards. The deadline will be December 15th so cards can be distributed prior to Christmas.

****Soup//Sandwiches on Sunday, Dec. 8, immediately following worship****

***THANKSGIVING SERVICE** - Today at 5:30 p.m. at the Ohio Street United Methodist Church. Offering will benefit the Adrian United Methodist Church*

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Sunday, Nov. 24:	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	10:30 a.m.	Life Group
	5:30 p.m.	Thanksgiving Service @ OSUMC
Wednesday, Nov. 27:	7 p.m.	Choir Practice
Thursday, Nov. 28:	Thanksgiving/Office Closed	
Friday, Nov. 29:	9 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Son Shine Ladies

NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS

Sunday, Dec. 1:	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	10:30 a.m.	Life Group
(Refreshments on Sunday December 1st - Chuck & Carol Lewis)		
Tuesday, Dec. 3:	6:30 p.m.	Disciples Women
Wednesday, Dec. 4:	6 p.m.	Youth Group
	7 p.m.	Choir Practice
Friday, Dec. 6:	9 a.m. - 12 p.m.	Son Shine Ladies