

## **2020 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN UPDATE**

You are a Gift! Your Gifts Matter

Stewardship season is an inspiring time of year at OPC! As of December 20, we received a total of 117 pledges, totaling \$362,778, representing an increase of one-half of one percent over last year's total pledge amount. As you know, pledging is the significant cornerstone for our church's annual budget. Thank you!

If you haven't pledged yet and plan to, please make a pledge to our 2020 ministry today. Go to - <https://oxfordpresbychurch.org/your-gifts-matter/>.

As the year 2019 draws to a close we are pleased to provide you with an update on our recent stewardship campaign.

We, the congregation of the Oxford Presbyterian Church, accomplished so much in 2019!

- The close of 2019 represents Pastor Marc's first year as Associate Pastor at Oxford Presbyterian Church (we are so blessed to have him join our congregation!)
- Sunday Cinema at the Seminary (with popcorn!) is enjoyed by all who attend
- We had another successful food drive during the Lenten season
- In May, we joyously welcomed five new confirmands to our congregation
- In June, our preschoolers and youth participated in Vacation Bible School (VBS) along with others from Oxford churches (and...I can't fail to mention...all the adult volunteers who make this event possible)
- Also in June, the women's retreat, hosted by Oxford Presbyterian Women, at the Cloudland Retreat Center was a wonderful experience in nature, fellowship, and God's love (not necessarily in that order!)
- In July, the mission trip to Moscow/Chelyabinsk/Zlatoust allowed us to build upon our partnership with Bishop Igor, Pastor Slava, and the members of the Zlatoust Baptist Church congregation. Also, OPC sent three youth delegates, accompanied by Pastor Marc and Candace Crist, to the Presbyterian Youth Triennium at Purdue University
- September launched our "Called to Life" initiative, where we explore and share God's call in our lives through our partnership with the Myrtle Collaboration

- October brought us together with other churches in the Kids Coalition Against Hunger, packaging 15,500 meals in the Seminary Building
- By November, we exceeded our goal in reaching \$10,000 for TOPSS (Talawanda Oxford Pantry and Social Services) toward the construction of their new facility
- December finds us in the special season of Advent, and witness to another outstanding “Celebration at the Manger”

If you haven't yet pledged, please consider completing this important foundation, which sustains our mission and worship, and provides opportunities for service, community outreach, fellowship, and growth. You may find pledge information online, in the church pews, and in the church office.

**Our gifts matter!**

Stewardship Team