

Thankfulness.

Have you heard what our people are saying?

When they talk about a vision for FUMC-Gastonia, they talk about fostering heart-to-heart connections with all ages in our church family. They talk about being an inspiring and welcoming place of worship, a faith community in the heart of downtown. They talk about being the hands and feet of Jesus, partnering with other churches, serving the less fortunate in our community. They have exciting ideas about how to grow our mission in the community and world we serve.

And for the New Year of 2022?

Continuing adaptions and a world of new opportunities! Worship, Sunday School, Wednesday evening fellowship, small groups—even hot dogs—and the spiritual connection we share with each other. The plans and the programing are prepared. The wonderful facilities we have provide the spaces for our visions to become reality. There can be no limit to our church's energy fulfilling our vision.

How do we make all this happen?

Your commitment to giving is the foundation for our vision. It allows our staff to plan the programs and our people to carry out the mission of our church.

On Commitment Sunday, January 23rd, you will have a chance to bring your commitment card in person at the morning worship service. That Sunday, we will have breakfast together from 9 until 10, with one service at 10:30.

(If you prefer, you can make your commitment at any time on the church website by clicking on the GIVE/PAY tab, choosing 2022 STEWARDSHIP, and completing the STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE CARD. You can also mail or bring your commitment card to the church offices.)

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Each of us, in combination with all of us, can insure the success we seek for our church, our community, and most of all, our church family! And it really does take each of us to thankfully achieve our goals!

With our sincere thankfulness,

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