

HSBC Newsletter

JANUARY 2021

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Vital Signs

Year to Date (11.30.2020)

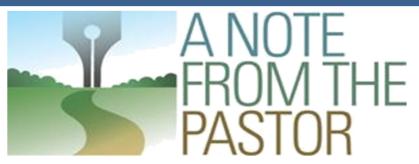
Budgeted Offering: \$319,485.54

Received Offering: \$264,490.76

Undesignated + PPP: \$287,449.88

Budget Expenses: \$277,804.37

Bldg Fund YTD: \$31,851.00



A few years ago, Thom S. Rainer wrote a book called Who Moved My Pulpit? You can probably guess what is in the book just by the title. A pastor moved the pulpit out of the sanctuary and brought in a smaller lectern to be used for services. Though this pastor had served at this church for many years, the act of removing the pulpit created a massive conflict within the church. The pulpit was then returned to its original place. This book was written a few years after the upheaval and he was still dealing with the aftermath.

As we enter into 2021 and begin a process of assessment for our church, we must have our eyes open to the reality that it will not be painless. Thom has a series of steps to help leaders during these times. The first two steps are: Prayer and Communication. This is what has been taking place over the last few months and needs to continue as we move forward.

Prayer for God's wisdom.

Prayer for God's strength.

Prayer for God's will to be done.

Communication is key to any assessment. We need to communicate with each other by expressing hope in the process, thoughts on areas of assessment, and ideas for adjustments. Leadership needs to communicate with the congregation and the congregation needs to communicate with leadership.

Let us move into 2021 with a vision for Unity in the Body of Christ, working together for His Kingdom.

Pastor Steven

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BSU Update...winter is coming

This has been a season of birthday cakes!!

Birthday cakes you say? Yes!! About nine years ago one of our students on leadership, while we were all sharing our hopes for our campus and those we love, shared that she wanted more BIRTHDAY CAKES!! She desired that more would have a life changing encounter with Jesus and have a birth-day in HIM.

So, yep! Birthday cake was present at our celebration of this Italian giving his life to Jesus! It is crazy how God is working. This guy was literally told to contact us to help him know and have conversations about God and Jesus from a couple students who do not even go are involved to BSU. Wow! We are just so reminded we don't know half of what God is doing in the background with the "jars of clay" efforts we try to give Him through: having surveys, or cleaning bathrooms, or having free art on campus, or handing out roses or hot chocolate, or organizing panels with so many groups who do not believe in Jesus, or serving the International students...and even a whole gang of cheerleaders that many would writeoff as not worth the risk.

Then we had another girl who was also referred to us (I love how God is being so kind and blessing all the days of serving before a virus to show us His plans cannot be stopped); she was referred by a student we had been investing in but who had gotten busy with college and work. Then, when the virus hit, this student reached out and we started meeting with her by zoom weekly and discipling with her and saw her grow in her health and relationship with Him. This went so well that she began also taking on His mission to save the world through His son Jesus - a mission we all are a part of when we give our lives to HIM. She shared that she had a friend (our girl from Ghana Africa) who was needing to talk to someone about her faith etc. So, we got to connect and be a part this month of watching this senior student move from a very dark place emotionally. We got to watch God work through the students at the BSU and see this young lady re-engage her faith, become more emotionally healthy, physically healthy, and even is now singing in the worship band. It is amazing how when we connect or reconnect with His voice and His freedom and forgiveness, that it impacts all of us. Just like Jesus said when John, his disciple wrote, "I have come that they may

have life, and have it IN ABUN-DANCE" (Emphasis on the capital letters..ours!).

There is so much more...and so much more we don't even realize He is doing when we just stop waiting to be drafted...and just show up and volunteer for Him in the conversations, the moments, and the opportunities to create spaces for God to keep speaking to them.

All in, Greg Xander
Campus MissionaryTSU BSU











"Do not remember the past events, pay no attention to things of old. Look, I am about to do something new; even now it is coming. Do you not see it? Indeed, I will make a way in the wilderness, rivers in the desert." Isaiah 43:18-19 HCSB

This past year has been full of changes none of us were quite ready for. The main one we all have is the virus that disrupted our normal routines. Many of us had other changes in our lives not necessarily caused by the virus, but complicated by it. Even in the midst of all this, many things to be thankful for have occurred in our lives. We need to make sure we remember to notice these and give thanks!

As we begin our new year, we still don't know exactly what is to come. We must remember God wasn't surprised by 2020 and He knows what the future holds. We need to not be looking to get back to "normal ", that may never come. As a wise woman in my small group said, that thought is just holding us back. We need to pray and watch for what God has planned for us.

We have three studies for this year"God of Creation" and "God of the Covenant" both by Jen Wilkin, and "We
Over Me" by Whitney Capps. I don't
know when we will be doing these yet,
so keep a look out for more information.

We also hope to find more ways to reach out to our community this year to let people know we love and appreciate them. Be on the lookout for a new signup sheet for 3 on 3 groups. Please pray that we all take time to hear from God and follow His will, and be full of hope

for the future!

He has made everything beautiful in its time. Also, he has put eternity into man's heart, yet so that he cannot find out what God has done from the beginning to the end." Ecclesiastes 3:11 ESV

Please take time to read Colossians 1:9-14. Lt's make this our prayer for all!

Women's Ministry Team,
Jennifer Trunk, Sue Sprague,
Shirlene Lloyd, & April Keene



Community happens in circles, not rows. There's a small group for everyone, regardless of age. Join a small group today.

Contact: the Sunday Morning Small Groups Director, to find a group that is right for you!



DON'T FORGET TO PRAY FOR THE JAIL MINISTRY, THE INCARCERATED AND THEIR FAMILIES



We have a few options for giving remotely

- You can go to the church website, click "Give" and follow the instructions.
- You can text your offering to 606-268-1957. Just enter the number and the dollar amount you wish to give.
- OR you can download the "EasyTithe" app via Google Play or The App Store. Look for the icon pictured above.
- You can designate your gift to either the general fund or to the building fund, or you can split the transaction and give to both.
- You can also give to our special offerings for The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering, or the Rheubin L. South Missouri Missions Offering.
- You can set up your account for auto donations, so you'll never forget to tithe. Options are available for weekly, twice per month, every other Sunday, and monthly.
- You can view your personal giving history from your online secure account.

If you have any questions, please contact the office

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LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING®

GOAL: \$4,000



If you would like to donate aluminum cans to the Youth, place them in Doug Athon's pickup bed on Sunday mornings, usually parked near the bus garage.



Would you like to save your pop can tabs for the RONALD McDonald House? There's a collection bin in the foyer.



NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday January 13th

COUNCIL MEMBERS, PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND OR SEND A PROXY



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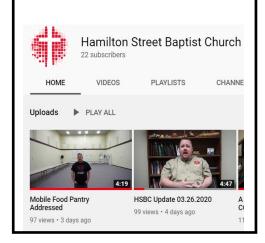
Prayer Requests can be placed in the box in the foyer or you may contact

Brenda Jones, 626-4224, brendagjones2@gmail.com, Amber Lupton, Cathy Meneely, or Kay Shelby.



THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE **WHO PARTICIPATED IN** OCC!

As a church we COLLECTED 214 BOXES



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A Note from our Associate Pastor

Church Family,

Happy New Year! This year is in the Lord's hands just like last year. Our faith and trust are not in our circumstances, environment, government, disasters, pandemics, or what is known as "good fortune". Our faith and trust are in the Lord Jesus Christ. "He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities- all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together" (Col. 1:15-17).

No matter what this year holds, we know who holds it! We know who holds us! So, hold onto Him this year as He leads you, your family, our church family, our country, and this world. Praise the Lord that He is in control and omnipresent (all present). All His presence is everywhere all at the same time.

Happy New Year to All!

Pastor Garrett

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January Birthdays



By the time you read this 2020 will have (thankfully) passed into the history books and we will have begun a new year. This year, more than most, we will have many questions as to what kind of year it will be. There will still be many uncertainties regarding the coronavirus and when more normal activities can resume, but there is the expectation that things will begin to improve as the year goes on.

However, as God's children we are called to keep pressing forward and not to stand still until things improve. This includes our worship of Him. Individual worship should be a part of our daily routine, and weekly corporate worship should also be a vital part of our lives.

Several months ago, I wrote on the subject of several of the Psalms that were devoted to praising God and giving thanks to Him. I shared that these particular Psalms helped to keep my spirits up during some of the worst of the initial pandemic.

The Book of Psalms is one of the largest books in the Bible and contains psalms that address the spiritual needs that the psalmist had at the time. Some are praise psalms; some are psalms that deal with pain or uncertainty; some deal with repentance; and some deal with God's wrath toward sinners. Whatever 27 situation you may find yourself in, there is most likely a Psalm or two that deal with it.

So, as we begin this new year still locked 28 in uncertainty and apprehension, I suggest turning to the Psalms as part of your daily devotion to help keep you 31 moving forward in you ,walk.

See you in worship!

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Iim Barnett Traditional Music Minister

(Missing birthday? Please contact the office to update.)

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Garrett Trunk - Assoc. Pastor of Discipleship & Youth

Jim Barnett - 8:30 am Music Minister

Andrew Keene - Interim 11:00 am Music Minister

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ADAIR COUNTY MOBILE FOOD DISTRIBUTION

January 23rd 11:00 am - ???

There are no income guidelines.

Recipients need to bring a photo ID, proof of Adair County residency & a container to take home the food.

Hamilton Street Baptist Church

802 W. Hamilton St., Kirksville, MO

SERVICE TIMES

SUNDAY:

8:30 a.m. Traditional Service 9:45 a.m. Small Groups 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Service or Join us on Livestream go to: hamiltonstreet.org



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