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The Duke Memorial UMC
Stewardship Campaign
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Ideas of how YOU can support the
DMUMC Stewardship Campaign:

Weekly/Monthly Offering Plate gifts

A one-time annual gift

Bi-Annual/Quarterly gifts

Recurring Check Draft

ANY WAY THAT WORKS FOR YOU!



DUKE
MEMORIAL
UNITED
METHODIST
CHURCH

"The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ." Ephesians 4:11-13

Celebrating 125 Years
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2012 Kingdom Growth Initiatives

...a Christ-centered, vibrant and vital congregation,
a sign and foretaste of God's Kingdom in downtown Durham...

*"There is a disposition growing to
have a mission chapel in the
western part of town. This would be
well, because there are many people
in Durham who do not go to church
who would be reached in this way."*

—Minutes from 1885 Durham District Conference.

*"Yes, but we've
got to have a
church for the
masses."*

— Washington Duke 1885

Through vital support from its members
Duke Memorial United Methodist Church
seeks to *deepen its roots and widen its
reach* in 2012 by raising **\$575,000** in
pledged contributions and fully funding
\$45,000 in new initiatives.



Deeper Roots of Faith

worship

We want inspiring worship to be the rule, and not the exception. With an invigorated spirit and renewed emphasis on *dynamic, hopeful worship*, every Sunday will feel like Easter.

There will be a greater diversity of artistic expression in worship, a wider variety of music performed and sung, increased thematic coherence, and more focus on how each service can equip our members to live more faithfully every day. *New investment will include:*

- Pastoral focus for planning a transformational experience every Sunday
- Expanded lay worship planning teams
- Acquiring updated musical materials and resources
- Targeted improvement of Sanctuary A/V equipment & capabilities

Engage every age, inspire every person

By accepting the **10% Challenge** and increasing your pledge to Duke Memorial by **10%** next year (or pledging for the first time), you are saying **“YES, I CAN SEE GOD AT WORK AT DUKE MEMORIAL, AND I WANT TO INVEST IN GROWTH HERE!”**

connections

We want to be a church where no one is anonymous.

The people of Duke Memorial are longing to know one another, not just by name on Sunday morning, or as we tackle tasks as members of committees and

ministry teams, but as human beings. *We want to grow deeper friendships in faith* and to know one another's stories. In the coming year there will be more fellowship opportunities in each ministry area, and across ministry areas, so that friendships across generations can form. *New investment for life-giving fellowship will bring:*

- More spaces and places for fellowship
- Monthly mid-week churchwide meals for conversation around mission and ministry
- Seasonal luncheons that provide congregation-wide celebration at important times of the year
- Youth fellowship dinners to develop stronger friendships across the congregation

Space to “be” and not just to “do”

Wider Reach of Love



We will invite and welcome more people into God's transforming love through our ministries here. Next year will bring new ways to help each person share their stories of *how God is transforming lives* at Duke Memorial. There will be more new faces on Sunday

mornings, in small groups, and at outreach events because we are learning how to be an *exceptionally* inviting congregation. Sharing stories of faith can be scary and inviting others can be intimidating—we *will learn how by investing in learning together to:*

- Establish focus groups to engage in action to create a culture of inviting at Duke Memorial and equipping members with adequate resources
- Create a system for welcoming guests including signage, a navigator/greeter team, attendance tracking, guest follow-up, and absent member outreach
- Establish a strong orientation program to bring guests into the fold through personal contacts and intentional equipping for ministry

More people finding their home in God's love

Together, through our commitments to God and Duke Memorial, \$45,000 in new initiative funding will make **GROWTH, CONNECTIONS, WORSHIP, and IMPACT** a reality!

We are a church that will listen and lead. We will spend the year actively getting to know the people, the places, the needs, the assets, and the pain and hope of our setting. We will go into our local community and invite the community in. Through these endeavors, we will become increasingly unified as a congregation behind a focused vision for ministry in our community. *As we invest in a year of “getting to know” Durham, we will discover those places where our impact can grow by:*

- Launching an intentional listening process to learn about community needs so that we can begin to make a larger impact in Durham
- Forming partnerships with local businesses and agencies in order to bring new life to the broken places of our city
- Increasing financial support to ministries of high importance to Duke Memorial— IHN, Sawmill Native American UMC, and Central Conference Pension Initiative

No longer strangers to our neighbors

growth

impact