

October 3, 2019

Dear Members and Friends of Towson UMC,

Have you heard the Stories of Faith shared in worship this past year?

There have been stories of building relationships with God and community, stories of appreciation for the varied ministries of our church, and stories of answered prayers – all shared by church members who passionately described the significance of Towson United Methodist Church in their lives.

Our Stewardship Ministry Team is grateful for those who have recalled our inspiring heritage. Now, it is time for all of us to build on these contributions through our 2020 "Pay It Forward" Stewardship **Campaign.** This initiative will provide for others what faithful members have passed on to us.

> As for us, we have this larger crowd of witnesses around us... let us run with determination the race that lies before us.

> > – Hebrews 12:1-2

An important part of running the race in our faith journey -- with our prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness -- is investing in Christ's ministry. Our continued financial support ensures that Towson UMC remains a strong and vibrant worshiping community. Our actions, as good stewards of this campaign, will help us **remember** the past, **celebrate** the present, and **invest** in the future – thereby paying it forward for others.

This year, we are asking each family member (professing member, regular attendee, friend) to do three things: Pray, Commit and Follow Through. The annual Stewardship Campaign is the means by which each of us commits, and follows through, to being part of Towson UMC's life giving ministry. Begin the journey by prayerfully considering your blessings and the richness of God's love. Commitment Sunday, October 27, 2019 is your opportunity for participation. More details will be distributed soon.

Thank you for your continued support of the programs and ministries of Towson UMC!

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