

Dates in 2019	Mission	Amount Given
Jan	<b>Edward &amp; Marjorie Roe Endowment Funds</b> are used for special mission projects or in support of a missionary family. <b>(We are supporting our missionary, in Belize, Mdwizu Ndjungu</b> (pronounce bwy-zu nid-jung-you)	Used \$1000 from Roe fund
Jan	<b>United World Mission Missionary Erika Fitzgerald</b> – She is in Morelia, Mexico at a place called The Victory Center. This project is to help the natives get a better education to help break the cycle of poverty.	\$500.00
Jan 20	<b>Human Relations Day</b> Human Relations Day calls United Methodists to recognize the right of all God's children in realizing their potential as human beings in relationship with one another. The special offering benefits neighborhood ministries through Community Developers. For example, one project is working with at-risk teens through the Youth Offender Rehabilitation Program.	\$300.00
Feb 3 & 10	<b>Valentines for Church World Service blankets</b> For each \$10 given, it buys one blanket. The Blankets and Tools program make available financial support for a variety of projects that provide food and water, as well as resources that empower people to meet their own needs. The key to solving hunger is to address the root causes of hunger with dramatic changes that give not a hand-out, but a hand-up to our brothers and sisters in need.	\$1050.00
Feb 17	<b>Noisy Sunday</b> Offering goes to Central's Ministry of Kindness Fund. This fund is used at the pastor's discretion for needs of those in the congregation and others in the community. It may be for a one-time utility payment, food, or a prescription for someone in need. Many times there are needs around us that we do not see but may come to the attention of the pastor. This fund allows him to respond as he feels appropriate.	\$516.81
Mar 31	<b>UMCOR Sunday (formerly One Great Hour of Sharing)</b> As responders around the globe scramble to help survivors, the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is prepared to act. Since 1940, when UMCOR's forerunner was established to meet the needs of those suffering overseas at the onset of World War II, it has continued to respond to those in desperate need—today throughout more than eighty countries around the world.	\$945.10
Apr 14	<b>Camp Sunday</b> Allows funding for those who cannot otherwise attend camp. Your offering will ensure the future of affordable camping programs for our children and youth. Every effort is being made to provide meaningful and exciting Christian camping experiences at the six West Michigan United Methodist camps. At the same time they need to keep the fee as low as possible to enable our churches to send as many people to camp as possible. Current registration fees cover basic operating costs for each camper (food services, program materials, utilities, etc.), but do not include funds for much needed capital improvements	\$ 170.00
May 5	<b>Native American Ministries Sunday</b> When you support Native American Ministries Sunday, you equip seminary students who will honor and celebrate Native American culture in their ministries.	\$470.00

Jun 9	<b>Bolivia – Urban Santa Cruz Children’s Ministry</b> United Methodists can make gifts to support the work of more than 850 projects and 300 missionaries at sites around the globe. We chose Urban Santa Cruz Children’s Ministry. The primary goal of the project is to identify and meet the spiritual, emotional, and physical needs of the children of poor neighborhoods in Santa Cruz. With better education and spiritual guidance, they hope to improve the lives of these children and break the cycle of poverty.	\$345.00
July 14	<b>Noisy Sunday (see above)</b>	\$560.04
Jul 28 thru Aug 18	<b>Collection of School Supplies for Willow School</b> (An enormous amount of school supplies were collected and delivered to the school. The teachers were extremely pleased!) Teachers came to the church on Aug.18 to give testimonies about how much these supplies mean to them; they look forward to a better year ahead with Central providing these supplies for the students.	Well done & well rec’d
Sept 15	<b>Peace with Justice Sunday</b> - focuses on our call to be peacemakers in the world. Seeking a peace that is beyond a freedom from conflict, rather we seek to join in God’s work of bringing about Shalom, or the wholeness that God intended in creation. Peace with Justice Sunday is on the first Sunday after Pentecost as “Pentecost celebrates the outpouring of God’s Spirit, calling for God’s Shalom.” Central has been celebrating this special Sunday in September to coincide with the Shalom Center International Day of Peace.	<u>\$321.00</u> Total to date = \$6,177.95

If you have ideas for Central’s Mission program, please contact one of the members of the Mission Committee listed below. We are always happy for ideas and for people who would like to help us make missions happen!

Cathy Amundsen, Chairperson, Estela Hudy, Kathy Hicks, Susan Grettenberger, and Nancy O’Shea

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