

**Forest City
United Methodist Church Foundation**



*"Like a tree planted
by streams of living water"
Psalm 1:3*

Our church has a rich heritage. Methodist services were first held in Forest City in 1858, just three years after the city was founded. In its many incarnations since then as the Methodist Episcopal Church Society, the Norwegian Methodist Church, the First American Methodist Episcopal Church, and now the Forest City United Methodist Church - our congregation has offered its prayers, presence, gifts, and service. Our goal is that all may know the creating, redeeming, and sanctifying grace of God through Jesus Christ.

**About the Forest City
United Methodist Church Foundation**

Our Foundation was organized in 1992 by a committee of forward-thinking members with the encouragement of the Administrative Council. The Foundation is managed by a nine member board, selected by the Nominations Committee and elected at the annual Charge/Church Conference in accordance with the Discipline of the United Methodist Church.

All gifts to the Foundation will be prudently managed by the Foundation's directors. Distributions of investment earnings to church projects will be recommended by the Foundation's Board of Directors. The final approval of such distributions will be made by the Administrative Council/Church Conference.

The Forest City United Methodist Church Foundation was formed to help finance our congregation's efforts. Gifts to the Foundation constitute a perpetual fund from which only the interest earnings will be used to further the ministries of the Forest City United Methodist Church and to care for its physical plant. Since 2000, the Foundation has provided over \$90,350 for projects such as:

- New windows for the church
- Blacktopping the alley
- Renovations to the parsonage
- New computers & updates
- New sound system
- Snow blower
- Minor maintenance to church building
- New church sign
- Annual street assessment
- Floor care equipment
- Office furniture
- Parking lot updates
- Replacement of three outside church doors

Through prudent investments and, more importantly, through charitable contributions, the Foundation will continue to grow and thus provide more financial support every year for the betterment of our church. Thank you for your support.



Some of the ways you can make a charitable contribution to our Foundation:

- *Give money now
- *Give securities: stocks, bonds, mutual funds, Certif. of Deposit
- *Give real estate outright
- *Give life insurance
- *Give through your will
- *Give through your trust

MAKING A GIFT

I (we) want to make a gift to the Forest City UMC Foundation.

Here is my (our) gift of \$_____. (Please make check payable to the Forest City UMC Foundation)

Please record this gift in memory of _____.

I would like to receive more information about the Foundation.

Name _____ Phone _____ - _____ - _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Mail to: Forest City United Methodist Church Foundation
305 South Clark Street
Forest City, Iowa 50436

OR place in the offering plate on any Sunday.