

# The Freier Flyer

Quakertown United Methodist Church

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## *It Takes A Team*



Sports fans have a lot to cheer about in October. Baseball reaches a high point with post-season play; football is in full swing; hockey is gearing up.

Every sport has its stars. Baseball fans love the homerun hitters; all eyes are on football quarterbacks; basketball's slam-dunkers elicit the roars of the crowd. But in team sports, there can be no stars without teammates.

Baseball is noted for having statistics about everything. One of the categories is "most runs scored." No player can make the top of this list without his or her teammates. Somebody lays down the sacrifice bunt that moves the other players into scoring position, or hits the sacrifice fly or single that enables another to score.

Players get the reputation of being either self-centered or team players. Back in 2007, Philadelphia Phillies' manager Charlie Manuel rated the players on his team some of the most unselfish he had the privilege to work with. Over the years he worked with many focused on their own statistics, instead of working together as a team, making the opportunity to work with that particular Phillies team an uplifting and positive experience for him.

The church is the body of Christ. Interestingly, the apostle Paul likens it to the physical body with its many parts. These parts are interdependent. Some, he notes, are less noticeable than others, but nevertheless vital. All are needed for the body to function properly.

Now the body is not made up of one part but of many...If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? But in fact God has arranged the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be...there should be no division in the body, but...its parts should have equal concern for each other. If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it. (Selected verses from 1 Corinthians 12)

This describes the church as it should be: folks supporting one another, rejoicing with one another, sharing one another's hurts. Church team players are willing to do their share, serving where needed, giving sacrificially, representing the Lord and the church in a positive way to the watching world, using the gifts God has given them for the good of all.

Soon the Nominations Committee will be asking persons to serve in needed positions, and the Stewardship Team will be launching the annual campaign for commitments to the General Fund, which supports the mission and ministry of the church. Will you do your part to ensure that QUMC is a healthy body with all parts functioning?

It takes a team!



# *Going the Distance*

*The Rev. Richard K. Brown II, Pastor*

Whew! What a start to the fall! We had a new way of presenting our gifts during the Offering, brought back cups and cubes as our format for the celebration of Holy Communion, restarted our Sunday School and Youth Group programs, hosted a very successful Chicken BBQ, Rally Day and Church Picnic and lastly, received of a Confirmation Class. All this is just a few short weeks, so imagine what else will have happened by the time you read this!

On September 19, QUMC received six (6) youth as members of the church. If you have not done so already, I encourage you to congratulate Matthew Hudson, Jonathan Kerns, Madison Kreisler, Matthew McMichael, Justin Murray, and Mason Rush. With many of their family and friends in attendance it was quite a day of celebrations as these youth took a new step in their faith. We even joined the youth in professing our faith by reciting a creed they co-developed with their mentors and this year's confirmation pastors, Rev. Jim Andreman and Rev. Kathryn Swan. Like so much of this past and current year, unique challenges were faced and overcome with faith, creativity and flexibility. Let us give thanks to the Lord for our newest members.

I also have some exciting personal news to share as we begin this October newsletter. Kim, Ella and I are proud to share that God has richly blessed us and we are expecting our second child right around Christmas! The Staff-Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) and I are quickly working out a transition plan so stay tuned - but in the meantime please pray for a continued safe and healthy pregnancy.

Lastly, I wanted to briefly share some information about our church and the COVID-19 Delta Variant. As you likely know, the Delta Variant has been a great concern and our church is not exempt from this. Following Governor Wolf's most recent mask mandate for schools and daycares, our very own Faith Preschool resumed mandatory masking as it began its fall season. Your Worship Team, Church Council and I regularly review the latest virus data and how this might affect our operations at QUMC. We will keep you all informed about any major changes along the way.

Our goal is to remain open, offer meaningful ways to serve God and our neighbors, all while growing in faith together. I humbly ask that you keep myself and all your church leadership in prayer as we continue to lead through these trying times. For all the concern, however, I am still very excited for the Spirit's activity at QUMC. I take encouragement and I hope you do too in the words of the Apostle Paul: "For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Romans 8:38-39, NRSV). So regardless of what is to come, we can move forward with the Lord knowing that the love of God and the blessed tie that binds us together as Christians shall not be severed. Therefore, let us continue to be the Christians we are called to be, serving the world in Jesus' name. Can someone say Amen to that?

God bless you all,  
Pastor Rick Brown

## *Wait! Here's More from Pastor Rick!*

### **Youth Group & Programming:**

With Rally Day, we not only saw Sunday School classes resume but also our Youth Group and its programming kicked off! After some summer collaboration, Youth Group has a new meeting time: **Wednesdays from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.** This means that Wednesdays are quickly becoming a very active day at QUMC. Between Youth Group, Chancel Choir rehearsal, and the return of Wednesday Night Dinners (on October 13), we will have many opportunities for everyone to find programming that engages them.

Our Youth Group is primarily for fourth- to twelfth-graders; however, if you have a younger child who would like to attend please contact Pastor Kathryn and I so we can have a conversation. Likewise, if you are a high school graduate and would like to take part, please be in touch as we can share specifics of how you can become a Youth Group volunteer. A friendly reminder that all youth are welcome to attend - you need not be a member of QUMC. So please feel free to invite friends and family to attend.

In addition to a weekly Youth Group meetings, we also instituted **monthly special events**. In August, this was a mini-golf trip while in September, we had a game night at QUMC. We have many plans to have fun throughout the fall and winter so please keep an eye on your inbox for news about these special events. Not receiving Youth Group emails? You can easily fix that by emailing either Pastor Rick or Pastor Kathryn.

### **Early Office Hours & More:**

Would you like to meet and talk with me? If so, I would be happy to do so! I have some early office hours to share: Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.. So while Ella attends Faith Preschool, feel free to come and talk to me. Of course, if I have twenty folks come at the same time we might have to start handing out the numbered deli counter tickets. That said, these hours most certainly won't work for everyone's schedule. As such, you are always welcome to call, text or email me so we can find a time to meet. Please don't be shy, after all our Lord did teach us to "ask, and it will be given you" (Matthew 7:7, NRSV).

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## Need to Contact Pastor Rick?

Pastor Rick can be reached by phone (484.358.1138) or by email ([pastorrick@qumc.com](mailto:pastorrick@qumc.com))

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## Getting to Know You

Please continue to help Pastor Rick and his family get to know all of us. There are name tag lanyards displayed alphabetically in the narthex. Upon your arrival at church, please pick up your lanyard and wear it so that Pastor Rick can put names and faces together. As you leave the building, either return your lanyard to the table or take it with you.



If you have any questions on the "Getting to Know You" initiative, or need a name tag lanyard, please feel free to contact the Church Secretary (215.536.4992 or [barb@qumc.com](mailto:barb@qumc.com)). Thank you!

# October Children's Message



# BOO!



October is the month of Halloween and Trick-or-Treating. Pumpkins and colorful gourds are everywhere you look. My neighbor has a real twisty gourd on her front porch that looks much like a large snake. It is fun to decorate and cut out pumpkins and put lights inside of them at Halloween. I just saw a super-sized pumpkin weighing almost 800 pounds at a farmer's stand. Can you imagine decorating that much pumpkin?!

This year, you might get invited to a Halloween party, venture through a corn maze or enjoy a bumpy hayride. Of course, it's fun, too, to dress up in interesting costumes and face masks, have other people guess who you are, and fill a treat bag full of yummy snacks. Sometimes, at Halloween, people try to appear spooky, display fake ghosts and spiders and goblins in yards, and scare each other by making faces and shouting "BOO." It is all in fun and part of the holiday.

But there are times, other than Halloween, when we all feel afraid for reasons that are not amusing. Being scared of dangerous things such as a growling dog or being outside during a lightning storm, are normal and good fears to have, because they help us learn behavior to keep us safe. But if you feel afraid of things, such as moving to new neighborhood or starting a new school and making new friends, talk to your mom or dad or aunt or uncle, so they can understand and help you. God cares and wants the best for you, too. Remember not only to thank God for all your wonderful blessings, but also to talk to him in prayer when you need his love and guidance.

Happy October!

Mrs. Molly Minarik

# SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SCHEDULE



Our new worship and Sunday School schedule at QUMC is:

- 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. - Worship
- 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. - Sunday School for Children and Adults
- 11:00 a.m. to 12 noon – Worship

11:00 a.m. worship will continue to be livestreamed on Facebook and YouTube.

If you have any questions about the new worship schedule, please feel free to contact Pastor Rick (484.358.1138 or [pastorrick@qumc.com](mailto:pastorrick@qumc.com)) or Gail Schadler ([glschadler@gmail.com](mailto:glschadler@gmail.com)).

## From Missions Commission



### Food Drive:

Missions will host a food donation drive, Saturday, October 23, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. We will be collecting non-perishable food items in the pavilion behind the church.

### Blood Drive:

We will partner with the American Red Cross for a blood drive, Friday, November 5 in Miller Hall. Sign up online at [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) or on the sign-up sheet in the narthex.

### QUMC Cares:

From Jim Newcomer on behalf of Quakertown Cares (in response to September's bucket giving donations):

*“We have identified a good recipient for the church’s recent contribution, and we will send a check, supplemented by a Giant food card from the Care’s funds. The recipient is a grandmother raising an elementary school-aged grandchild, while the mother is in an extended rehab. The mother had neglected to apply for food stamps, so there is a food insufficiency.*

*Thank you for assisting. Funds put to good use.”*



**Trunk-or-Treat! Save the Date!** Saturday, October 23, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Decorate your car and hand out goodies or bring your costumed kiddies to this safe and fun event. Register in the narthex to be one of the participating cars. Refreshments will be available for purchase. Proceeds benefit the Youth Group.

### **Third Grade Bible Presentation:**

On Sunday, October 24, QUMC will continue the tradition of presenting Bibles to our third-graders, as well as to older children who have not yet received a Bible. If you know of a third grader (or older child) who would like to receive a Bible, contact Tammy Swearingen (trswearingen@verizon.net or 215.538.7513).

### **Fall Rummage Sale:**

Cleaning out? Friendship Circle is ramping up for the Fall Rummage Sale, Friday, October 29 and Saturday, October 30.

Collect your unwanted, but still-in-good condition, and usable items and bring them to Miller Hall for Friendship Circle's Fall Rummage Sale! Donations of all kinds of items are welcome.

Needed for sale: baked goods, jewelry, kitchen utensils, dishes and glassware, tools, games, clean clothing in good condition, toys, other usable items. Absolutely NO televisions, computers, other heavy or large items, please! Also needed: paper and plastic grocery bags.

We also need your help! Anyone that can donate time to help prepare for the sale (October 25 through October 28), is welcome. We have had three cancelled rummage sales due to COVID and expect many will be dropping off their unwanted treasures. That makes a lot of "stuff" to sort and display!

#### **Help is needed for**

- Set-up, sorting and preparation, 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon, 10/25, 10/26, 10/27, 10/28 and 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., 10/27
- Assistance during the sale on Friday and Saturday, 10/29 and 10/30
- Clean-up on Saturday, 10/30, from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m.

Drop-off times for donations are concurrent with set-up times. Baked goods may be delivered Thursday and Friday mornings, 10/28 and 10/29, after 9:00 a.m.

Contact Becky Petko (215.896.7055 or bpetko@remax440.com) for more information or if you are able to help with this important ministry of QUMC.



**Come out and join our youth for some fun, fellowship, and exploring our faith!**

**If you have any questions about Youth Group,  
contact Pastor Kathryn ([kathrynswan19@gmail.com](mailto:kathrynswan19@gmail.com) or 610-348-2632).**

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**YOUTH GROUP MEETS WEDNESDAY NIGHTS, 6:30 TO 8:00 PM**

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## **CONFIRMATION 2022**

Are you interested in the 2022 Confirmation Class? Do you have basic questions about what confirmation is and our process? Below are a few questions and answers. If you are interested in Confirmation for 2022, please contact Pastor Kathryn ([kathrynswan19@gmail.com](mailto:kathrynswan19@gmail.com) or 610.348.2632).

*What does "confirmation" mean?*

United Methodists use the term "confirmation" to mark the first time a baptized Christian publicly "confirms" their intention to live the vows of the baptismal and membership covenant and so becomes a professing member of the local congregation and The United Methodist Church.

*Can I be confirmed more than once?*

We expect that there may be several occasions during one's Christian life when one may wish to re-affirm or re-profess their commitment to live the baptismal and membership covenant faithfully. Doing so more than once does not change or add to one's status as a professing member in the Church. So while we encourage people to re-affirm as they find need, we do not call any subsequent reaffirmations or re-professions "confirmation."

*I thought "confirmation" referred to a series of classes over weeks or months. Was I wrong?*

While the process of preparing to confirm or profess one's commitment to live out the baptismal and membership covenant may take considerable preparation, which may include classes, retreats, service projects, and other spiritual exercises, the term confirmation properly belongs to what we do in the ritual when we publicly confirm our commitment.

*What is the minimum age for confirmation in The United Methodist Church?*

Our Judicial Council has clarified for us that the determination of when someone is ready to say with integrity that they will live out the baptismal and membership vows is left solely to the appointed pastor. The appointed pastor has full discretion to decide whether someone is ready, regardless of their age. That said, the nature of the questions we ask and the vows we take requires some degree of agency-- ability to act on one's own behalf.

*I wasn't confirmed when I was a teenager. Is it too late for me to be confirmed now that I am an adult?*

No, it is not. Remember, confirmation as such is not a process, though preparing for it should involve some kind of process. Confirmation is simply the first time a baptized Christian makes their public commitment to live out the baptismal and membership covenant among us and so become a professing member with us. You may be confirmed at 16, 60, or 92!

*I am coming to The United Methodist Church as a confirmed member of a church in another denomination. Do I need to be confirmed again?*

No, you do not. While we do ask that all persons seeking to become professing members in The United Methodist Church publicly profess our baptismal and membership vows, we do not call that process "confirmation" for those who are coming to us as "confirmed" or "full" members of other Christian denominations. We, as do many of our ecumenical partners, call it "reception." We will also offer you a process to orient you to life in our version of the baptismal covenant and in the wider life of the congregation, the district, the conference, and the denomination.

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## CALLING ALL MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS!

Pastor Kathryn invites the youth girls (and friends!) to join her for a monthly Panera get-together here in Quakertown! This is a chance for fellowship, friends, and laughter in a safe space where we can be authentic and celebrate diversity. If you have any questions or want to join us, please contact Pastor Kathryn (kathrynswan19@gmail.com or 610-348-2632).

Dates for this fall are Monday, October 11 and Sunday, November 14, both at 4:00 p.m. See you there!

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## YOUTH GROUP LITTLE LIBRARY PROJECT

This project is underway! The youth are collecting books for our little library project. We are looking for any kind of books, but must be "appropriate" for all ages. Children's books, Biblical books, fiction...all are welcome! Books can get dropped off at Pastor Kathryn's office or contact her to schedule a drop-off time. Contact Pastor Kathryn (kathrynswan19@gmail.com or 610.348.2632) if you have questions or are looking for more details.







## THE CONFIRMATION CLASS OF 2021





## THE CONFIRMANDS WITH THEIR FAMILIES AND PASTORS

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### *Family Matters*

**Happy Birthday to:** Liz Cole – October 18; Laura Clymer – October 24; Anna Wolfinger – October 27.

**Notes of Thanks:**

*“A humongous thank you to each and every person who lent QUMC a hand during our recent Chicken BBQ. The church couldn’t have done it without the help we received. From the at-home bakers, to the set-up people, kitchen food preppers, servers, clean-up crew, Saturday kitchen crew, table center piece creators, the planners, the chicken fire-pit cookers, Faith Preschool teachers, our in-house custodian, and to anyone else my imperfect brain may have missed, our most sincere gratitude.”*

*The Missions Commission*

*“Thanks a bunch to all who contributed and served the September QUMC picnic food, helped set up tents and tables, supervised kids’ activities and the Cake Walk, and helped in some other capacity. Weather cooperated, and everyone had a great time.”*

*Molly Minarik*



## Looking For Ways To Help?

- Fall Rummage Sale help needed. See page 6.
- The Hospitality Ministry is in need of volunteers in these areas: Greeters, Hospitality Table, Welcome Center. If you are interested in serving in any (or all) of these areas, contact Molly Minarik (craftlover38@aol.com or 610.282.3708).
- Finance Chair Committee Member is needed. Anyone with a background in finance who would volunteer for a three-year term as Chair of Finance (leading meetings and the team), is encouraged to contact Pastor Rick. This position is very important to the financial health of the church.
- Stewardship Chair is needed. Contact Pastor Rick if you can volunteer for this position.
- Bucks County Children and Youth Social Services Agency is looking for caring individuals or families interested in providing a short- or long-term home for a child and/or children in foster care between birth and 17 years of age. You will receive financial assistance for room and board and medical assistance. You will receive 24/7 professional supportive services and preservice training. Contact Shantelle at (215) 348 -6922 or sjgammon@buckscounty.org.
- Outreach Care is in need of volunteers to assist the homeless in Upper Bucks County by helping them to get back on their feet. Contact Joanne Cramer (610.442.6465) to learn more.

### A Word from the Trustees

A family, individual, or group is needed to take responsibility for maintaining the outdoor cross garden. Plants will be provided. Responsibilities include planting, weeding, and watering as needed. For more information, contact Debbie Reynolds (215.266.1385). Please consider helping us to continue this beautiful ministry!



### We're Updating and Would Like to Hear from You!

The church is in the process of updating telephone contact information for family and friends of QUMC. We ask that you reach out to the Church Secretary (215.536.4992 or barb@qumc.com) with the best contact phone number for your family. It can be a cell phone number or a landline, whichever is your preferred mode of telephone contact. Thank you!

### Safe Sanctuary Clearances

Welcome back everyone! Due to COVID, we lost over a year, as well as track of Safe Sanctuary clearances and expiration dates. If your clearances are updated, please make sure we have a copy for our files. Contact Marj Lofland (215.257.7389, 267.227.8990, or yeamarj@gmail.com) for more information.

The following three background checks are required:

- ✓ **Department of Human Services Child Abuse History Clearance.**
- ✓ **Pennsylvania State Police Request for Criminal Records Check.**
- ✓ **Federal Criminal History Record Information (CHRI)**

If your original form has been misplaced, or if you need a new application, you can access the following links.

Volunteer Clearances (If your clearances need renewal)

All volunteers working with children must meet Safe Sanctuary requirements which include:

Child Abuse Clearance <https://www.compass.state.pa.us/cwis/public/home>

Criminal Background Check <https://epatch.state.pa.us/Home.jsp>

Both are currently free to obtain.

You also must get a fingerprint check done if you have not lived in the state of Pennsylvania for 10 years, or you can sign a waiver instead if you have lived in Pennsylvania for 10 or more years. Here is the link:

Fingerprinting [https://www.pa.cogentid.com/index\\_dpw.htm](https://www.pa.cogentid.com/index_dpw.htm)

Lastly, there is a Safe Sanctuary training offered periodically that must be taken. If you would like hands-on First Aid and CPR training, it can be arranged by contacting Marj Lofland.

### Faith Preschool

For more information, reach out to Megan McGinty (registrarfps@gmail.com or 215.536.8172). The registration form for Faith Preschool can be found at :

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1vq2wupgX4r24OWo3gcokTFNWLuHaTIFH/view?usp=sharing>

*"You are a child of God, you are wonderfully made, and dearly loved and precious in his sight." - Psalm 139*

### Acts IV Fund

We would like to remind the church family that members of the congregation experiencing financial difficulty should contact Pastor Rick (pastorrick@qumc.com or 484.358.1138).

The church has an Acts IV Fund specifically designed to help members during a time of financial struggle. Inquiries are completely confidential. Now more than ever, we realize many are struggling to make ends meet. QUMC is here to help. Those with sufficient resources who have it in their heart to contribute to the Acts IV Fund can send donations, indicating that preference, to QUMC, 1875 Freier Road, Quakertown, PA 18951.

### Prayer Shawls

Those who are ill, grieving or just lonely can request a shawl for comfort. Contact the church office (215.536.4992 or barb@qumc.com) or Janet Finch (215.538.0835).

### Worship Service Materials

Anyone desiring a copy of the bulletin each week is asked to contact the church office (barb@qumc.com or 215.536.4992) to get on the email and/or USPS list.

### Want To Become A Member or Schedule a Baptism?

The doors of QUMC are always open! Contact Pastor Rick for more information (pastorrick@qumc.com or 484.358.1138).

### Paper Recycling

We like to do our part to save the planet. Receptacles can be found in the southwest corner of the church parking lot to recycle paper. Acceptable materials to recycle include newspapers, magazines, catalogs, books, office paper, school paper, wrapping paper, and junk mail. Missions will receive a check to be used for missions programs of the church.

### Aluminum Can Recycling

This is yet another way we save the planet, while helping defray costs of the annual Chicken Barbecue. Bag and bring your cans to the white trash cans at the church pavilion. They do not need to be crushed but they are easier to handle if they are. All brands of aluminum cans are welcome.





JOIN US FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL!  
Sunday Morning, 9:45 to 10:45 p.m.

2-Years-Old to Kindergarten	Room 107/108
Grades 1 to 5	Room 106
Middle and High School	Room 105
Women's Class	Room 114
Men's Class	Room 112
Faithbuilders	Room 109

Sunday School is in need of additional Middle School/High School teachers. We are also in need of assistants and substitutes for the program. Anyone interested in giving of their time and talent to this ministry of the church is asked to contact Christine Rush at (215.264.4815 or [rushcm@npenn.org](mailto:rushcm@npenn.org)).

Small groups are an integral part of the Christian Education program at QUMC!

Bread for the Journey is a small group meeting Tuesdays, 1:00 p.m. in the Library. Together we pray, explore Scripture, and read and discuss books as we journey together to grow in our relationship with God. For more information, contact Gale Hewitt ([gwhewitt4@gmail.com](mailto:gwhewitt4@gmail.com) or 267.218.2479).

The Friday Online Bible Study meets on ZOOM, Friday mornings, 9:30 a.m. Our current study, The Life of Moses, takes an in-depth look at the man who was called by God to be the agent in delivering the Hebrews from slavery in Egypt. To learn more about this small group, contact Gail Schadler ([glschadler@gmail.com](mailto:glschadler@gmail.com)) or Janet Finch ([jmfumw@aol.com](mailto:jmfumw@aol.com)).



If you have items for the monthly newsletter you can email them to Teddi Miller at [QUMCNewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:QUMCNewsletter@gmail.com) or you can put them in the newsletter mailbox in the church office. To assure your items are published in the next monthly newsletter, please email Teddi or drop off the information in the church newsletter mailbox by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to the publishing month. Thank you!



### They're Back!

Fellowship Dinners will return on Wednesdays beginning **October 13**. Dinner begins at 5:00 p.m. Come when you can, leave when you must.

Mark Your Calendar for Annual Charge Conference, **Wednesday, November 3**, 6:00 p.m. at the church.

All Saints Sunday will be celebrated **Sunday, November 7**. As we prepare for this day, you are invited to aid the Worship Team and Pastor Rick in celebrating the lives of the saints. If a saint of QUMC has passed since November 1, 2020, please contact the Church Office (barb@qumc.com or 215.536.4992) so they can be honored on this day.

## QUMC Educational Endowment Fund Grants



We are happy to report that this year we will be able to distribute grants to our eligible post-high school students. Grants will be distributed on Sunday, November 21, 2021.

### Eligibility:

1. Student must be a member in good standing of QUMC.
2. Student must be enrolled and attending that academic year in an institution of higher education (including technical schools).

Applications are to be requested from Steve Finch (finchsc1@verizon.net) **by the student** (using their school email). **Applications are due back no later than November 1.**

Eligibility will be verified and an application returned to the student's email beginning on October 1. If you have any questions, please contact Steve Finch or a committee member.

Steve Finch, Chairperson (finchsc1@verizon.net)  
David Rush, John DeSimone



*Thank you for your continued  
comitment, financial support, and  
faithfulness to QUMC.*

**Continued Appeal Regarding Bequest Opportunities:** Bequests from individuals are an important part of the funding of our church's missions. If or when you plan a charitable bequest to help support the mission of the Quakertown United Methodist Church, you can direct your bequest it the following ways:

1. Unrestricted bequest: This is a gift for our general purposes, to be used at the discretion of our Trustees and Finance Committees. A gift like this - without conditions attached - is frequently the most useful, as it allows us to determine the wisest and most pressing need for the funds at the time of receipt.
2. Restricted bequest: This type of gift allows you to specify how the funds are to be used. Perhaps you have a special purpose or project in mind. If so, it's best to consult us when you make your will to be certain that your intent can be carried out.
3. Honorary or Memorial bequest: This is a gift given "in honor of" or "in memory of" someone. We are pleased to honor your request and have many ways to grant appropriate recognition.
4. Endowed bequest: This bequest allows you to restrict the principal of your gift, requiring us to hold the funds permanently and use only the investment income they generate. Creating an endowment in manner means that your gift can continue giving indefinitely.

