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## Dear Church Family,

Like many of you, I use my iPhone as a camera. It is easy, intuitive and requires no instruction whatsoever. But that doesn't mean that the camera itself is simple. It is actually quite the opposite. The technology embedded in the camera required significant science and engineering and tens of thousands of person-hours to ideate, develop concepts and embody the final selection into a space smaller than a thumb. There's a lot more going on than meets the eye.

Our church is similar. There's a lot more going on than what meets the eye, and this is perhaps exacerbated by the generation-defining pandemic. I'm awed by the ministries, stewardship and administration in which our church engages, even in the middle of the pandemic. That's why I am proud to present to you this year's enclosed Scope of Ministries pamphlet. It provides a glimpse into the varied ministries and activities of MUMC this last year. In the 9 AM and 11:15 AM worship services on November 7 and 14, you will hear briefly and firsthand from church members about their church experience and what it means to them.

Our gifts and tithes create the platform for ministry in the form of our buildings and maintenance, as well as staffing to support ministries. Our financial contributions also directly fund ministries such as discipleship growth, Christian fellowship, worship and outreach to the local community, region, country and world.

Thank you for your love of God, the church and the greater community. Thank you too for your past financial support of church ministries and for considering active participation in ongoing ministries this coming year by prayerfully returning an estimate of giving card to support 2022 ministries.

In Christ,

**Dave Bourell** 

Chair, Stewardship Team

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