



Be **McEachern Memorial** A United Methodist Church www.mceachernumc.org Renewed



Dear McEachern Family,

If you are like me, the last 18 months have been exhausting - a state of constant change and unrest brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic where our lives have been turned upside down. Be it health concerns, ever-changing routines and schedules, cancellations, loss, or changing jobs, we are living in uncertain and unsettling times. Through it all, I am reminded of Paul's second letter to the church in Thessalonica – though we may experience difficulties, uncertainty and trouble, the great and mighty God we serve will encourage and strengthen us in every good thing we do and say!

(2 Thessalonians 2:16-17) I cannot think of a better time to engage with your McEachern Church Family on a journey to find that promised strength and encouragement, sparking a renewal of your heart, your mind, your spirit, your strength and your hope that God is in control and will provide during these crazy times.

For the next five weeks, McEachern will be engaged in a powerful, inspirational, church-wide experience of spiritual development for the whole family entitled “**Be Renewed.**” From my family to yours, I hope you will jump in with both feet! You will experience “Be Renewed” in worship, in small group discipleship, in youth and children’s ministry, and around the dinner table at home, so I hope you are ready for this exciting journey together designed to enrich our understanding of biblical generosity and to renew our commitment to give generously back to God. We would love for you to take advantage of this season of generosity at McEachern through your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service and your witness.

Set aside some time in the coming weeks to reflect on your own giving journey, pray intentionally, and listen for how God is calling you and your family to live generously and fully lean into our calling to faithfully participate in the ministries of McEachern. Please know that “Be Renewed” is not built on the need of our church to fund a budget, but on the need of each person to contribute as a part of his or her own spiritual maturity and commitment to Christ. I’m excited to say that this year and for years to come, we will measure success by the willingness of the McEachern family to take the next step in our generosity journey – wherever those steps may lead us.

Our time together will culminate in services on **Be Renewed Commitment Sunday** November 7, 2021, followed by a BBQ lunch sponsored by the McEachern Men’s Ministry. Please make plans to be there - it will be a special time together!

Grace and peace,

Devin Gordon,

Executive Director, “Be Renewed” Generosity Campaign