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MODERATORS'S MESSAGE



" YOU'VE LOST THAT LOVIN FEELIN"

Today, while driving my car, a song came through the radio. This song I had heard many times through the years. It was voted in the top 10 of the most popular songs of the 20th Century, It first appeared in 1964. As I listened, I turned up the volume. Out came the somber words,

"You've Lost that Lovin Feelin". Can you guess the song? Sung by the Righteous Brothers, this #1 Hit is titled **"You've Lost that Lovin Feelin"**. As I listened, I could not help but think that although this song referred to lost love between two people, it came into my mind that it could also be applicable to many Christians in today's world who feel that God has lost his love for them. As I listened, more words came out....

"Bring back that lovin' feelin'

Whoa, that lovin' feeling

Bring back that lovin' feelin'

'Cause it's gone, gone, gone

And I can't go on, whoa-oh-oh"

I think many people who attended church in their younger years who now have stopped attending church might be feeling that they have lost that "Lovin Feelin" from God and with it the emptiness or even loneliness that accompanies it. They cannot explain the loneliness that closes in on them but they long for a way to make it go away and to "bring back that lovin feelin" in their lives. As I listen, the song continues...

"I beg of you, please, please

I need your love

I need your love

Well, bring it on back

Bring it on back"

Christ still loves even when a person moves away from or forgets about Him. Feeling lost in a rapidly changing world is also an easy thing to happen and is also a form of loneliness. Searching to regain that love is in the heart where an emptiness may reside. Again, the song goes on... *(Continued on next page)*

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"Baby, baby, I'd get down on my knees for you
 If you would only love me like you used to do
 We had a love, a love, a love you don't find every day
 So don't, don't, don't, don't let it slip away"

For anyone seeking the return of that "lovin feelin", God is still there. He is still listening. He was never lost to you. He never left. To "Bring back that lovin feelin" Reach out and seek him.. Go to church. Worship with others. Pray! God will hear you. You are not alone.

The song ends but I want to hear it again. (On the Internet search for the Righteous Brothers "You've Lost that Lovin Feelin" and listen to it yourself. It may mean something different to you, too.)

Prayerfully submitted,

Bob Brewster, Moderator

OPERATION'S & FINANCE TEAM



Welcome to June and the beginning of Summer and hurricane season. As you probably noticed, we have cordoned off the courtyard in front of the Thrift Store. Over the past few years, we have worked very hard to maintain the area by laying sod a number of times but with increased traffic in that area the grass was taking a beating. Hopefully this will solve the problem. Building maintenance is handled as needed.

Yours in the faith. *Art Horton, Chairman, Andy Stebenne*

Financial Update

Operating Budget to Actual as of 4/30/2025

	<u>April Actual</u>	<u>YTD Actual</u>	<u>YTD Budget</u>	<u>YTD Difference</u>
Income	16,974.50	65,716.08	66,445.88	(729.80)
Expenses	<u>13,299.97</u>	<u>54,972.90</u>	<u>53,404.77</u>	1,568.13
Profit/(Loss)	3,674.53	10,743.18	13,041.11	(2,297.93)

CD & MM Income as of 4/30/2025

YTD Interest
 Income: 827.59



Combined Profit/(Loss) 11,570.77

We had a profit of \$ 3,674.53 for the month of April and a profit of \$ 11,570.77 for the four month period which includes the interest income of \$ 827.59. As always our thanks go out to all our wonderful volunteer and to all who support our Church.

Respectfully Submitted, Barbara Horton, Treasurer

THE GIFT AND THRIFT STORE



Thank you for all your support and the opportunity to serve together at the Thrift Shop. I want to thank Miss Emily for the smooth transition and great help. It has been a good month with sales and we received a lot of donations. Praise God! The Thrift Shop is not just a place for people to shop. It is a place for people to feel happy, safe, and at peace. There is a lady that comes almost every day now. She lost her husband a couple months ago and she feels she is not lonely anymore when she comes to the store. Another lady comes to the store asking for prayer for strength and peace. Her brother Andrew was diagnosed with colon cancer and the doctor said that he has only 4 to 6 weeks to live. A beautiful couple enjoys coming to the store twice a week. The husband just got diagnosed with cancer, so we prayed together. There is a woman who has had multiple strokes and has a disability that prevents her from driving. She walks by the church almost every day. One day I asked her to stop by the store and offered her a cane. She was ecstatic and two weeks later she came back to the store and said she just got her disability check and wanted to donate some money. She thanked us and said she feels seen and accepted. Her gratitude reminded me of The Widow's Mite. May God continue His work through our Church Thrift Shop.

God is good all the time, *Rachel Sitepu, Manager*

FOOD BASKET SUNDAY

Communion Sundays are designated as "Fill the Food Basket" Sunday. As a reminder, June 1st is our next collection day. Over 15 bags of food were collected last month which benefited a local food pantry. Thanks to Ruth Brewster and Pam Protko for loading and delivering the food. **Please be generous and make sure all donations have NOT passed their expiration dates.**



MISSION'S NOTE



The Strengthen the Church offering supports the expansion of ministry and growth of UCC local congregations. Your support of this offering will help the UCC fulfill on its commitment to creating a just world for all by investing in new ministries and practices that meet the emerging needs of local communities. As God calls our congregations to be the church in new ways, your generosity will plant new churches, awaken new ideas in existing churches and develop the spiritual life in our youth and young adults. The offering will be received **June 8th and the envelopes will be an insert in your weekly bulletin.**



Happy Father's Day!

REMEMBER DAD ON JUNE 15th!



JUNE BIRTHDAYS*

Diane Kirlin	6/1
Bob Gaither	6/2
Ruth Brewster	
Delana Pack	
Madison Hobson	6/8
Barbara Boon	
Pam Protko	6/13
Carole Crippen	6/18
Susan Bussard	6/19
Jimmy Goodman	6/29
Sean Senko	

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES*

Dr. Ted & Cheri Yaeger, Jr.	6/07/1987
Bill & Doreen Wheeler	6/24/1972
Art & Barbara Horton	6/28/1975



PRAYER REQUESTS*

Sue Batturs	Member of POUCC
Bob Gaither	Member of POUCC
Erica Henderson	Friend of POUCC
Chuck Konopsky	Member of POUCC
Jose León	Father of Pastor Javier
Members of the Potenza Family	Family of the Gates
Liz Mills	Former Member of POUCC
Lydia Nevarez	Mother of Pastor Javier
Paul Shaffner	Friend of POUCC
Bob Traver	Friend of the Brewster's

In Care Facilities

Margie Hoebing	Friend of POUCC (Care Center, PO)
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Special Needs

Victims of the Recent TORNADOS
All of Our Military, Veterans & Their Families
Those Fighting Terrorism Worldwide



Note: *Please contact the church office to update our records if we missed your special date. or with your Prayer Concerns 788-0920.

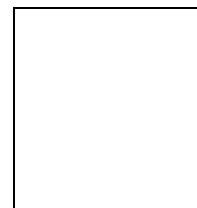
POUCC June 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Worship Service 9:30 am Fellowship 10:30 am MOL* Worship 3:00 pm	2 MOL Bible Study 7:00 pm	3 Weight Watchers 9:30 am	4	5 Weight Watchers 9:30 am	6	7 Weigh Watchers 7:30 am & 9:00 am
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**On Sunday, June 8th, we celebrate Pentecost
the birthday of the Church.
Please plan to attend and be sure to wear **RED**.**

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9:00 AM—1:00 PM

Monday—Friday

Thrift Store Hours

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Sunday Worship

9:30 AM



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