



Growing Love at Indian Run

2019 INDIAN RUN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

Dear friends,

What a joy it has been to be a part of the work God is doing through the ministries of Indian Run! The weekly Grow Love Moments over the past year have demonstrated the variety of ways that you have said, "I'm IN!" Your faithful commitments have enabled us to powerfully live into our mission to "grow love in ourselves, our families, our community, and the world so that more people will know and follow the way of Jesus."

The next five Sundays will focus on our annual commitments in order to continue the good work we are doing by "faithfully participating in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service and our witness." I hope you'll join us as we explore together the difference we can make through our commitments to the church. The schedule of events is as follows:

September 30 – I'm INTentional: growing love through our prayers

Ministry Area Focus: Care ministries

October 7 – I'm INcluded: growing love through our presence

Ministry Area Focus: Adult discipleship & welcoming/connecting ministries

October 14 – I'm INvested: growing love through our gifts

Ministry Area Focus: Administrative ministries & church operations

October 21 - I'm INVolved: growing love through our service

Ministry Area Focus: Youth & Children's ministries

October 28 – I'm INfluential: growing love through our witness

Ministry Area Focus: Missions

You will find this year's Annual Commitment Form enclosed. I hope the form has become familiar to you. As always, there are places on the form where you can make specific commitments in each of the five areas of prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness. There are additional instructions on the back of this letter to help you better understand how to complete the form, and the enclosed information guide will provide further information on each of the commitment options.

We will celebrate and consecrate our commitments on the final Sunday of the series, so **please plan to bring your completed Annual Commitment Form with you on Sunday, October 28.** If you cannot be present that day, simply send your completed form to the church office anytime before October 28. Additional copies of the form are available at the welcome center or on our website.

Thank you in advance for prayerfully considering the commitments God is calling you to make to support the ministries of Indian Run in the coming year. I can't wait to hear all the stories of how we have grown love in ourselves, our families, our community, and the world as a result of everyone joining together in saying "I'm INdian Run!"

Following the way of Jesus alongside you,

Rev. Jeff Allen
Lead Pastor



Understanding the Annual Commitment Form

The Annual Commitment Form has been designed so that up to two people per household can specify their commitments on the same form. (Children who have been through confirmation and are members of the church will receive their own form in a separate mailing.) Please be sure to indicate which member of the household is "Member A" and which member is "Member B" and then indicate your individual commitments throughout the form by checking the appropriate boxes.

Commitments made on this form are for the 2019 year only. It's a great way to try something new without feeling like you're signing up for life!

When the commitment form is received by the church, the specific commitments made by each individual will be entered into our church database. You will receive a confirmation of the commitments you made before the end of the year, just to ensure we entered the data correctly.

To ensure your privacy, the "Gifts" section of the commitment form will be removed by the Indian Run bookkeeper before the rest of the form is given to those who will enter your commitment information into the church database.

There are many different options listed in the "Service" section. Selecting an option in that section indicates to the ministry team leader that you would be willing to help in that area of ministry. The ministry team leaders will contact you no later than January to connect you to the needs of the ministries you have selected and to further discuss the level of commitment you're able to provide. If you have specific questions about any of the service options, please contact the following people:

Adult Discipleship	Andrea Laux	alaux@indianrun.org
Youth Ministry	Nick Mastin	nmastin@indianrun.org
Children's Ministry	Amy Catanella	acatanella@indianrun.org
Care Ministry	Phyllis Fetzer	pfetzer@indianrun.org
Welcoming Ministries	Andrea Laux	alaux@indianrun.org
Missions & Outreach	Jerry Rudisill	jerryrudisill@gmail.com
Worship	Jeff Allen	jallen@indianrun.org
Church Operations	Cindy Danko-Southey	office@indianrun.org
Nominated Ministries	Andrea Laux	alaux@indianrun.org

The nominated ministries of Conference/District Committees, Trustees, Staff-Parish Relations (SPR), Finance, Connection, and Endowment are subject to the nominations process. Checking these boxes will indicate to the Connection Team that you would be willing to serve in a certain area.