

Wesley United Methodist Church
ENDOWMENT FUND GRANT APPLICATION
Deadline: March 1st & September 1st every year.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

If you are an organization/person that is not a member of Wesley, also complete the next page

Project Name: Faith in Action Year 2

Area of Ministry: (check all that apply)

Discipleship Evangelism Mission Music Outreach Worship Other: (please explain) _____

Contact Person: Pastor Scott

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Member of Wesley Church ? YES NO

REQUEST/PROJECT INFORMATION

Total Project Cost:

\$1300

Total Amount Requested:

\$1300

Date of Application:

March 1, 2026

Estimated Begin Date (mm/yy):

06/2026

Estimated End Date (mm/yy):

05/2027

OUTSIDE APPLICANT INFORMATION

Only needs to be completed if not an internal project

Name of Entity:

Address:

Phone:

E-mail:

Tax exempt? YES NO

EIN #:

501C3: YES NO

State/Local government: YES NO

FOR ENDOWMENT USE ONLY

Comments:

Committee Recommendation: DECLINED APPROVED

Amount Awarded:

Date of Decision (mm/dd/yyyy):

Signature of endowment representative:

Describe in detail how these funds will be used as well as how this funding enhances the mission of Christ & the ministry of the Church. **This information only needed if grant over 500.00 or if an outside group is applying.**

History/background of the entity making the request:

In 2025-2026 we started a program called Faith in Action. 43 unique participants have been actively completing up to 4 actions each month. To date, collectively we have recorded almost 500 actions completed that include: evangelism, outreach, mission, discipleship, prayer, study, worship, social justice and more. A survey was sent out, and those that responded overwhelmingly voted to continue the program. A quote from one participant "I have been really enjoying the tasks that we have been given to encourage, build up and grow in our in our faith. THANKS for this opportunity!"

Goals and objectives:

12 months of Faith in Action action tasks. Each month have 3-4 actions that participants can complete. Expose participants to a wide variety of ways and ideas to grow their faith
Each month one winner is picked to receive a \$25 gift card for completing their actions. A fun incentive. (\$300)
We will also do 2 book giveaways to the congregation as a whole. Those were well received, connected to a sermon series/group Bible studies and also provided a way for people to grow their faith by encountering new ideas and learning more about the love of God. Last year we provided books on Generosity and Gratitude. (50 count *\$10/book*2 different giveaways = \$1000)

How will people be brought into a saving relationship with Christ and/or begin a discipling process?

Faith in Action provides a diverse variety of ways for people to encounter Christ and grow their faith. What makes it successful is there are such a wide range of actions people can undertake to grow deeper in Christ. Example:
March 2026: Fasting & Evangelism
Fast one day a week for a month. (Work of Piety – Fasting as Spiritual Discipline)
Bring a friend to church. (Work of Mercy – Evangelism)
Read the Gospel of Mark. (Work of Piety – Scripture Study)
tell me something good... Devotion: Daily Cards or Book. (Work of Piety - Study and Learning)

Each action is aligned to Wesleyan principles of piety and mercy, social and individual growth.

Any timing restraints foreseen for the receipt and use of the requested funds?

none,

GRANT APPLICATION DOCUMENTATION

**If you are an organization please provide a copy of your most recent statement of revenues and expenditures
(if not affiliated with Wesley)**

- Request/Project budget showing all revenues and expenditures
- Names, addresses and phone number of the organization's leaders and project leaders
- Any other supplemental materials that would describe the need for the funds request

Endowment Application Process

(You do not need to turn in this page- it is for your information)

Step 1: Pick up an application from the Church Office –OR- Print from the website (form will always have the current application deadline included).

Step 2: Applications from outside of Wesley Church must also complete the section of the form called: **OUTSIDE APPLICANT INFORMATION** and **must complete page 2** regardless of requested amount.

Step 3: Applicant returns form and all required attachments to the Church Office Attn: Endowment Committee

Step 4: Church Administrator places documents in a folder. If the deadline is March 1st the committee considers request in April. If the deadline is September 1st, the committee considers the request in October. ***(Applications received during the months of March – August will be reviewed in October. Applications received during the months of September – February will be reviewed in April)***

Step 5: Committee completes the Endowment Section on the application. Once selections are confirmed, the Endowment Committee will present recommendations to the Ad Board for final approval.

Step 6: Committee notifies applicants of the disposition. If awarded \$\$, then funds equal to the approval amount are transferred to the Church's General Fund.

Step 7: Funds must be used within 1 year of award date. Any funds not used by award date must be returned and may be used at the discretion of the Endowment Committee to reinvest or fund future projects. Applicants are Encouraged to apply again if they miss the deadline.

Step 8: Church Treasurer writes a check.