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 Legacy  
a community of impact



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## our vision

Because of the Legacy we have received, we build the Legacy God desires, to leave the Legacy the world needs

## our mission & practices

We are followers of Jesus who practice:

**DISCOVER**  
Radical Hospitality  
Passionate Worship

**CONNECT**  
Authentic Faith Sharing  
Intentional Faith Development

**IMPACT**  
Extravagant Generosity  
Risk-Taking Mission  
and Service

## how we're known

Legacy Church: A Community of Impact



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2018 was an amazing year! We lived into the first year of the Legacy Onward project: retired debt, opened the building expansion, started Legacy South, and began the Legacy Foundation. You will read quotes of real people whose lives have been changed because they experienced Jesus due in part to your radical hospitality. Kids, students, and adults are growing closer to God because of your time, talent and treasure. Thank you for all that you do!

Serving Jesus with You,  
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### DID YOU KNOW?

The staff handles day-to-day operations while Legacy is governed by the yearly church conference. All members gather to approve the general fund that includes salaries, ministries and mission. The conference also approves the 12 men and women of the Administrative Team who do the business of the church between yearly meetings. Learn about them @ [legacyumc.org/about/ad-team](https://www.legacyumc.org/about/ad-team).





- **26 weddings**
- **3,456** piano and guitar **strings tuned**
- **1 whole new worship team** formed for Legacy South
- **148 services**
- **7 new musicians**
- **7 staff and volunteers** attended the Reach Conference in Sioux Falls, SD
- **7 new songs**



**“I believe that going to Legacy Church this past Sunday may have changed the way I live my life and what I believe moving forward.”**  
 — Sunday Worshipper



- **75 duffle bags** were decorated and filled for local foster kids by Legacy Kids and their families.
- Over **45 Legacy Kids** served in the community during mission events.
- **185 volunteer t-shirts** were handed out throughout the year.
- **19 different soups** were taste-tested at the **Soup Challenge**, raising \$536 for a local food pantry.
- **33 Bibles** were handed out to 2nd Graders.



**“I didn’t know serving others could be so much fun.”**  
 — a 4th grader, while labeling and putting away items at the Bismarck Emergency Food Pantry



# student ministry

# classes, life & impact groups



- **Legacy Students raised \$8520** during the 30 Hour Famine! That will feed and care for 18 children for a year.
- **27 students were confirmed** in the faith.
- **Around 70 students** attend weekly Student Ministry programs
- **35 kids and students attended UMC Summer Camps**
- **16 students completed 96 hours of service at Wesley Acres** camp on a mission weekend
- **27 attended** the conference youth gathering, **DAK youth** in Aberdeen, South Dakota.



"I have literally never thought about that at all! That's amazing."  
 – Said during Student Bible Study

"I thought I was going to die; but it turned out to be really fun and I learned a lot of new things."  
 – Student at 30 Hour Famine

**"If I had ten thumbs, Legacy Youth Ministry would get ten thumbs up!"**  
 – Parent & Volunteer Leader



- **185 First Time Guest Contacts**
- **98 devotions** written by Legacy Writers
- **Over 9,500 Items** donated to local helping agencies through monthly One Thing
- **4 new Life Groups**
- **30 New Members** in 2018
- **Over 30 meals** distributed through Meals Ministry



**"I never knew a place like this existed and that I would love going to church."**  
 –Legacy Attender







▲ We hosted the 4th annual Six Appeal Ugly Sweater Concert, giving away \$6,000 split between the Central Dakota Children's Choir, Bismarck Cancer Center, Carrie's Kids, and the Central Dakota Humane Society.



▲ Legacy South started with a Christmas Eve service of 71 people!



▲ We hosted the IF:Gathering, a women's conference in February, with nearly 100 women in attendance.



▲ After a vote in February, construction began in April on the expansion. Student Ministry kicked off in the completed wing in December.



▲ 281 kids attended Vacation Bible School and gave \$625 towards missions.



▲ Over 170 people walked through Holy Week during our Easter Experience event.



**january**

207 new board books and books were collected for Project Armchair

**february**

321 washcloths and 151 hand towels were collected for UMCOR Health Kits.

**march**

171 new pajama sets were collected for Project Ignite Light

**april**

3686 diapers were collected for Out in Faith Ministry

**may**

175 bottles of vitamins and meds for Ghana Medical Team

**june**

432 pairs of socks and 390 underwear were collected for Raising a Village

**july**

2061 breakfast bars were collected for Missouri Slope Areawide United Way

**august**

534 items were collected for UMCOR School Kits

**september**

316 peanut butter and jelly jars were collected for Community Action Backpack Program

**october**

756 canned tuna and chicken were collected for the Bismarck Emergency Food Program

**november**

260 gifts were filled to help make Christmas wishes come true for children and families of some of our community partners.

**december**

1459 pods, 1316 load of liquid detergent and 2 (79 count) boxes of fabric softener for United Ways Emergency Homeless Shelter

**We gave over \$23,000 in kind through the One Thing!**

**january**

Together We Rise

**february**

Dakota Wesleyan University Mission Trip

**march**

Austin Link Mission

**april**

India Evangelical Team

**may**

Creating a Dakotas Culture of Call

**june**

Welcome House

**july**

Mission for South-East Europe

**august**

Adult and Teen Challenge

**september**

Bis-Man Mentor Squad

**october**

UMCOR Hurricane Relief

**november**

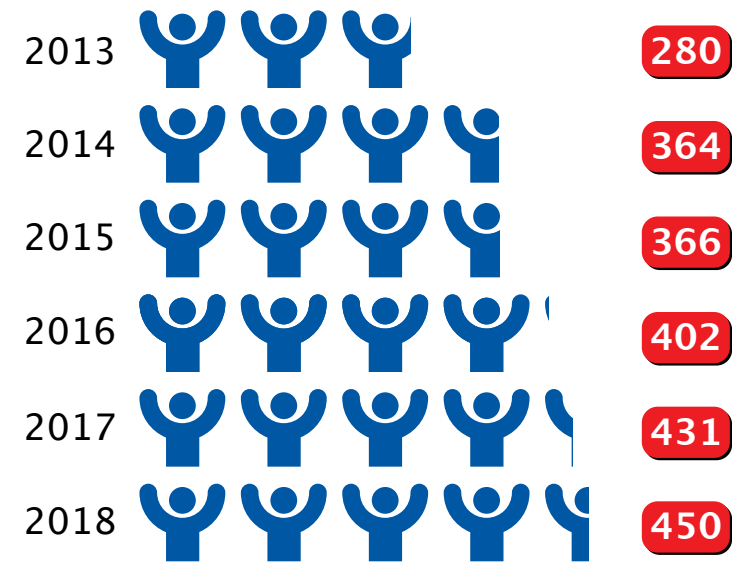
Board of Global Ministries

**december**

Half-A-Christmas

**We gave away \$15,852 through the Impact Offering!**

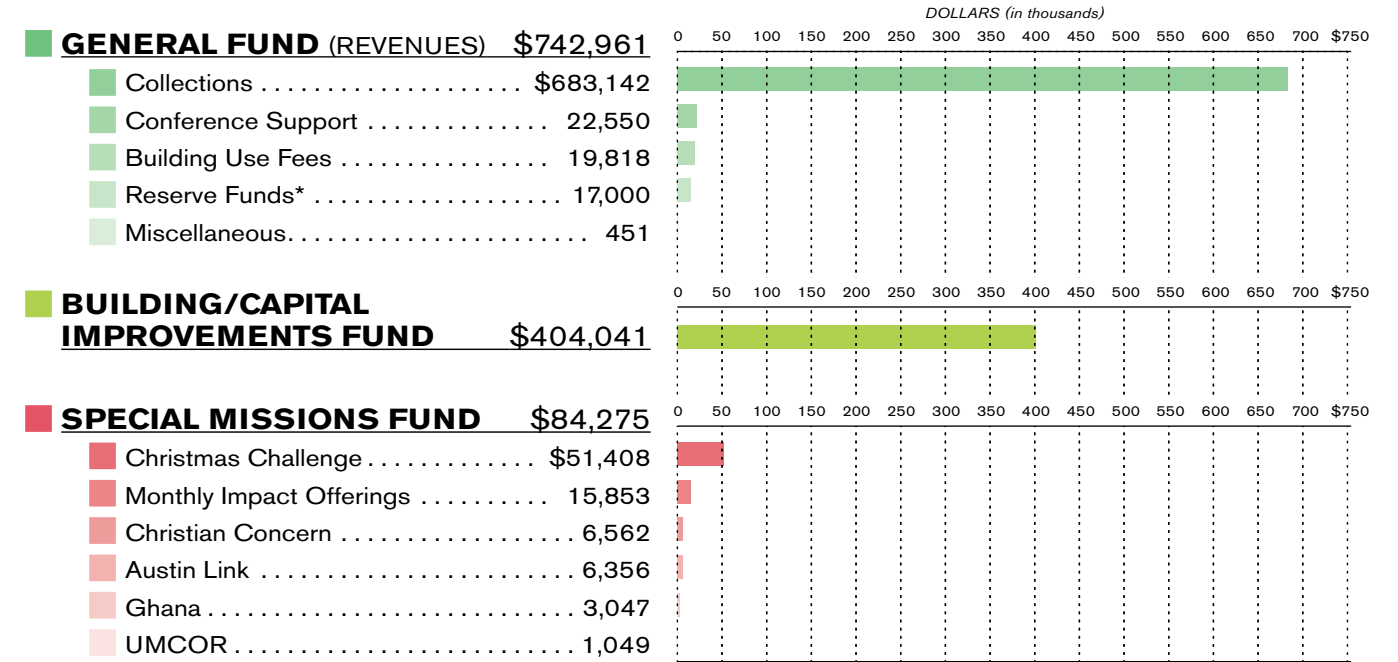
**AVERAGE WEEKLY WORSHIP ATTENDANCE**



**MEMBERSHIP**



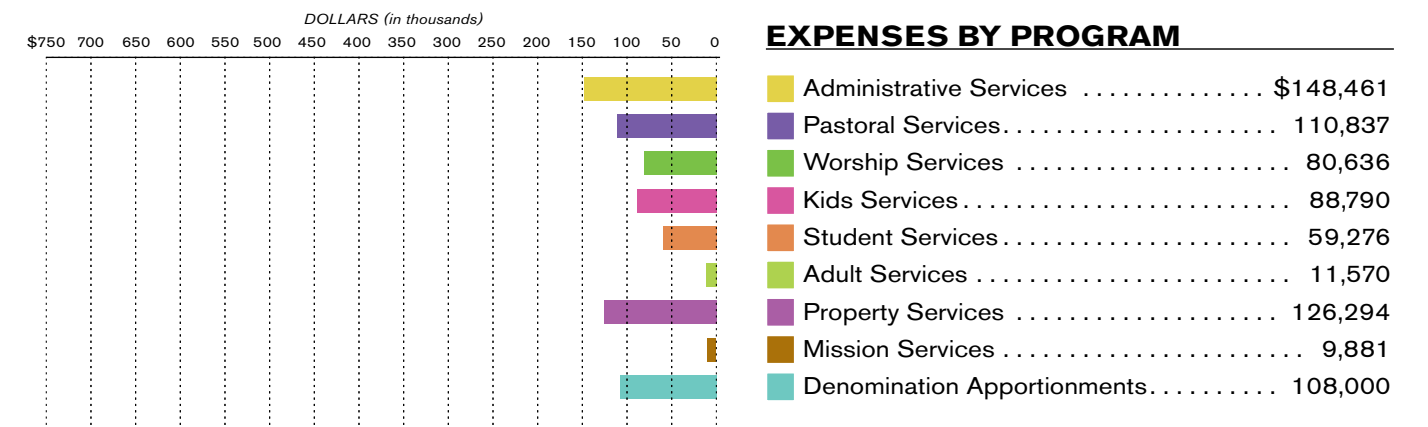
**2018 TOTAL REVENUES**  
\$1,231,277



\*The shortfall in the general fund was balanced by \$17,000 of a previous year's gift that was held in reserve.



**2018 GENERAL FUND EXPENSES**  
\$743,745






**We gave away 16% of all the tithes, gifts and offerings received to projects beyond our church, to impact the world locally and globally!**

**HALF CHRISTMAS**  
Our 10th annual Half-a-Christmas Challenge offering raised **\$51,408**, clearing the goal of **\$50,000**. We've given away more than **\$400,000** through this one offering alone to projects outside the walls of Legacy.

**LEGACY ONWARD**  
The first year of the Legacy Onward project raised **\$510,000** on the way to our 3-year goal of **\$2 million**. This project retires debt, pays off the expansion, funds Legacy South and builds the Legacy Foundation. Learn more at [legacyumc.org/onward](http://legacyumc.org/onward).



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