

# CHANGING LIVES >>> THROUGH LEGACY GIVING



**Forget Me Not**

## FOUNDATION MISSION >>>

Our purpose is to endow and support the future needs of our church's ministry and mission by encouraging our members to remember Resurrection in their planned giving.

### UNDERSTANDING THE FOUNDATION

In 2002, the United Methodist Church of the Resurrection established the Resurrection Foundation as a tax-exempt 501(C)(3) Kansas nonprofit corporation. The Foundation focuses on endowing and supporting the church's future ministry needs. Members are encouraged to include the Foundation in their estate plans or planned giving. This permits Resurrection to build financial resources to support its continued vitality. At the end of 2015, Foundation assets have grown to nearly \$3.2 million. The Foundation has also received insurance gifts valued at over \$20 million.

### JOHN WESLEY LEGACY SOCIETY

Resurrection Foundation honors those who have chosen to include Resurrection in their estate or planned gift with membership in the John Wesley Legacy Society. Any size gifts are welcomed. Let the Foundation know of your future dreams for the church and become a part of the JWLS.

**Resurrection**  
FOUNDATION  
2015 ANNUAL REPORT



## SUSTAINING OUR FUTURE >>>

From the start, The Church of the Resurrection focused on building a Christian community where lives are changed, communities are transformed and churches are renewed. Our church has grown from a small group of worshipers in a funeral home chapel to a community of nearly 26,000 located on four campuses.

The Church of the Resurrection is undergoing exciting changes. New buildings are under construction at the Leawood and West campuses and another on tap for Downtown, and Blue Springs is outgrowing current facilities. These events testify to our church's vitality. With continued growth, our church's leadership is committed to preparing for the future. The Resurrection Foundation was created and continues to offer members a way to sustain our church's vigor with planned gifts. In this brochure are a few examples of why people chose to give to Resurrection Foundation.

Resurrection's growth and vitality has been tied to its foresight and preparation for future demands. Our physical plant is an essential tool to support our ministries.

However, physical plants age and will require funds for ongoing maintenance and major repairs. A significant role for the Resurrection Foundation is to set aside funds that will be available to meet these needs in the future so as not to cripple ongoing programs and ministry. The Foundation has a Facility Major Repair/Replacement Fund aimed at meeting these needs for all campuses.

We invite our church members to Sustain Our Future by remembering the Resurrection Foundation in their wills or estate gifts. Your planned gifts will ensure Resurrection's continued vitality. Designate your planned gift to the Foundation's Facility Major Repair/Replacement Fund and help to prepare us for these inevitable maintenance/repair costs.

In addition to the Facility Major Repair/Replacement Fund, the Foundation offers many fund options. You may direct your estate gift, insurance gift or IRA gift to any specific fund, a specific campus or for general use. Remember that legacy gifts may be of any size.



# 2015

## FOUNDATION HIGHLIGHTS

### GROWTH

- 696 members in John Wesley Society
- Endowed gift from Hennig Family Fellowship Fund for continuing seminary student
- Matthew's Ministry Endowment Fund with Legacy gift in memory of Thomas Walker Schmidt
- Real estate gift of the Gaslight Grill from Dick Hawk
- Endowed gift in memory of Dr. John Russell

### EDUCATION

- Church-wide Foundation awareness weekend
- Information seminars for prospective Foundation donors
- Estate planning seminars, including one just for women
- Pre-retirement seminars

### LEADERSHIP

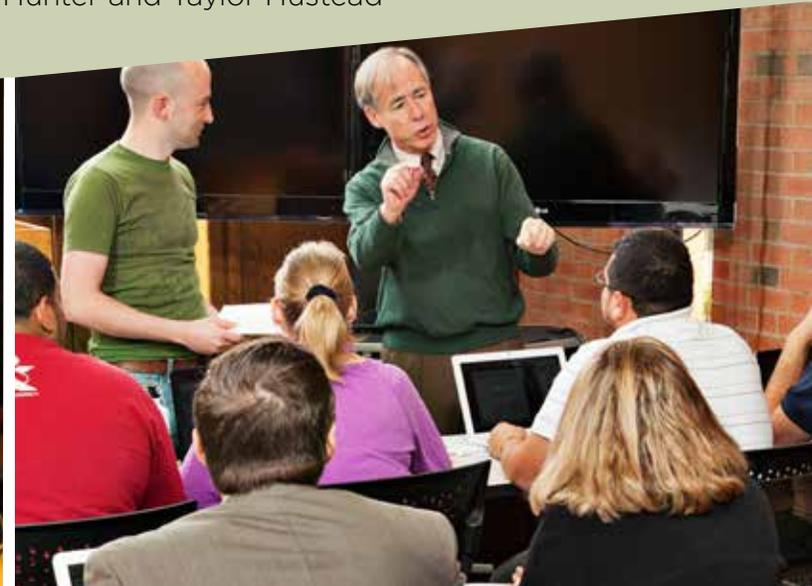
- Hosted the North American Conference on Christian Philanthropy
- Compiled a Professional Referral List of Financial Planners and Planning Attorneys.
- Completed an Investment Policy Compliance Audit

## TOM SCHMIDT'S LEGACY >>>

My brother, Tom Schmidt, was born with Down Syndrome in 1957. Our family loved and nurtured him so he could become all that God envisioned. Tom graduated from the special education program at Shawnee Mission North High School. His education equipped him to enter the workforce, and he worked for 30 years in the food services industry. Our family was so proud of the caring service he gave to others. His employers were appreciative of his dependability and recognized the value he brought.

Tom lived with our parents during his lifetime and was able to save his earnings. Upon his death in 2010, I was entrusted with this gift. I wanted to honor my brother and began to pray for God to show me a suitable way to establish his legacy. I learned of Matthew's Ministry at The Church of the Resurrection and felt God was showing me how to best memorialize Tom. Our family was unaware of this program, so Tom never experienced the care and fellowship of Matthew's Ministry. My heart knew he would have loved being part of it. Accepting God's direction, my sons and I created a Matthew's Ministry Endowment Fund with Tom's bequest. Our prayer is that Tom's legacy will inspire others to add to this fund so that it will continue long into the future to be a living example of God's love for all his children.

— Susan Husted  
Hunter and Taylor Husted



## PAST IS PROLOGUE >>>

Back in 1985, just a few weeks after Doug and I were married, we joined Metropolitan Avenue United Methodist Church. Since we didn't have a church home, we decided to join Doug's grandparents' church. As I reflect on our marriage's early years, I can see Jesus laying a FOUNDATION for Doug and me to eventually become part of The Church of the Resurrection FOUNDATION.

Metropolitan Avenue United Methodist Church (MAUMC) was a wonderful place full of well-seasoned Christians who had many life experiences and lots of sage advice to share with us. Doug jumped right in and joined the Board of Trustees. I worked in the children's programs and tried to help where I was needed. The months/years went by, and we began to see some changes. The building, as beautiful as it was, began to need more than just some paint and a nail or two. There were big-ticket items to contend with such as air conditioning and a new roof. We tried to do some fund-raising; but with many in our congregation on fixed incomes, these efforts were not very successful. I remember sitting in worship one Sunday watching the water drip from the ceiling into buckets!

In 1990, we began looking for a new church. The change was necessary because we were expecting our first child and wanted a strong children's program for our new baby. In 1990, we were expecting our first child and wanted a strong children's program for our new baby. We began looking for a new church. About that time, we received an invitation to join a new church that was meeting in a funeral home! Fast-forward many years to The Church of the Resurrection of today.

As the years passed, God certainly blessed us with many wonderful life-changing gifts. After much prayer and discernment along with our past experiences at MAUMC, we were led to become a part of the Resurrection Foundation. Currently, our church is filled with young, vibrant, wage-earning families. Our building is well built and seems like it will never be run down. However, that same thing could have been said about MAUMC 50 years ago.

The Church of the Resurrection has been our church home for 22 of our 27 years of marriage. God has worked in our lives in mighty, powerful and unexpected ways through the people and ministries at Resurrection. I cannot begin to express the love that God has shown us here. We are inspired to hope others experience the same. One way we can do this is by being involved in the Foundation. Through our gift to the Foundation, Doug and I can do our part to see that Resurrection will stay a vibrant and growing instrument for God's work long after we are Home.

— Nan and Doug Smith

## Estate Planning Seminar

Saturday, June 18, 2016

9 - 11:30 am

Room C136 • Leawood Campus  
Building C

*Changing Lives through Legacy Giving!*

# 2015

## FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS >>>

2015 TOTAL ASSETS  
**\$3,178,667\***

\*Also have \$20,374,000 in fully-owned, paid-up life insurance policies.

2015 CONTRIBUTIONS  
**\$818,448**

2015 DISTRIBUTIONS  
**\$154,952**

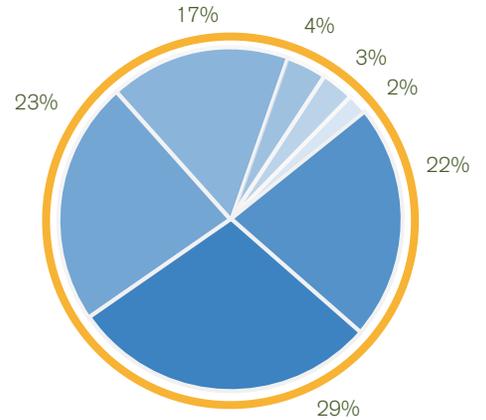
**41%**  
 ASSETS UNDER MANAGEMENT  
 IN ENDOWED FUNDS

**-0.75%**  
 2015 RATE OF RETURN

**7.16%**  
 ANNUALIZED 3 YEAR  
 RATE OF RETURN

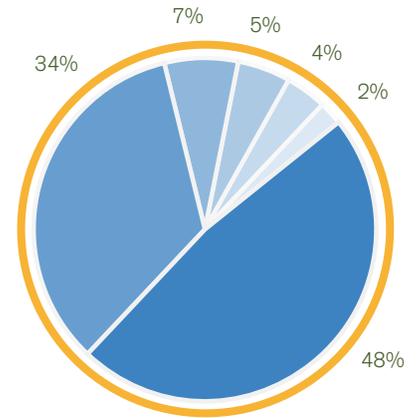
### TYPE OF FUNDS

Scholarships & Grants	<b>\$910,504</b>
Facilities Endowment	<b>\$731,058</b>
Unrestricted	<b>\$539,083</b>
Missions/Ministries	<b>\$124,302</b>
Operating Fund	<b>\$98,185</b>
Congregational Care	<b>\$64,546</b>
Donor Advised Fund	<b>\$710,989</b>

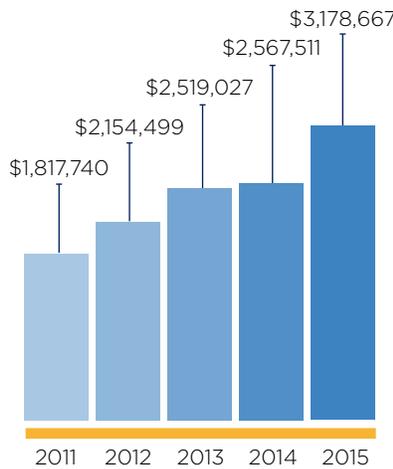


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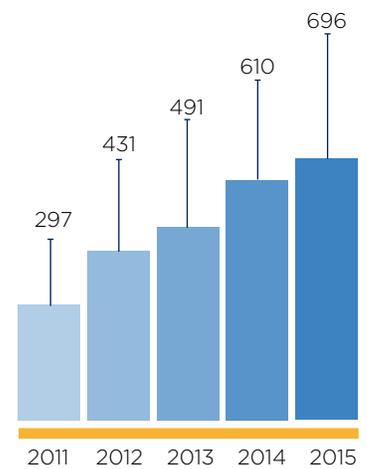
Scholarships & Grants	<b>34%</b>
Unrestricted	<b>5%</b>
Missions/Ministries	<b>2%</b>
Operating Fund	<b>7%</b>
Congregational Care	<b>4%</b>
Donor Advised Fund	<b>48%</b>



### ASSETS UNDER MANAGEMENT



### JOHN WESLEY SOCIETY MEMBERS





## WANT TO KNOW MORE >>>

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### Endowed Funds

Endowed Funds are gifts or bequests that require the principal be maintained intact and invested to create an income source for a specific purpose or set of purposes. The principal remains intact in perpetuity, for a defined period of time, or until sufficient assets have been accumulated to achieve a designated purpose.

### Unendowed Funds

Unendowed Funds are gifts or bequests that are made for a stated purpose(s) and may be spent at any time after the Foundation receives them.

### Donor Advised Funds

Donor Advised Funds allow a person or family to make a charitable contribution to the Foundation and receive an immediate tax benefit. The donor recommends grants from the fund over time.

### 2016 Board of Directors

CJ Archer  
Angela Brill  
Jim Buffington  
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Lee Harizanoff  
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Ray Smith  
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### John Wesley Legacy Society Council Members

Mark Allison  
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Rev. Adam Hamilton  
Lewis Gregory  
Tom Mitchell  
Jeff Muchow  
Dr. and Mrs. William Reed  
Jim Selle  
Doug Smith

## CURRENT FOUNDATION FUNDS

### Changing Lives *through worship and ministry*

- Clergy Renewal Fund
- Facility Major Repair/Replacement Fund
- Foundation Development Fund
- Matthew's Ministry Endowment Fund
- Resurrection Blue Springs Fund
- Resurrection Downtown Fund
- Resurrection West Fund
- Traditional Music Endowment Fund
- Unrestricted Endowment Fund
- Unrestricted Fund

### Transforming Communities *through mission outreach*

- Beyond Kansas City Missions Fund
- Child in Crisis Fund
- Local Missions Support Fund
- Pet Care Assistance Fund

### Renewing the Church *through ministry education*

- Hennig Family Fellowship Fund
- Ministry Education Scholarship Fund
- New Generation Seminary Scholarship Fund
- Seminary Scholarship Endowment Fund
- Thuma Scholarship ABC Class Fund

## HOW YOU CAN GIVE

1. Donor Advised Funds
2. Retirement Plan Assets (IRA)
3. Stock
4. Life Insurance
5. Naming the Resurrection Foundation as Beneficiary
6. Charitable Requests: Last Will and Testament or Living/Revocable Trust
7. Memorial Gifts
8. Gifts in Lieu of Flowers
9. Cash to establish an Endowment or Fund
10. Charitable Remainder Trust
11. Charitable Gift Annuity
12. Charitable IRA Rollover Distribution for those over 70<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>

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