



# WHEN THE BUILDING CLOSED THE CHURCH DIDN'T

ST. PAUL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
2020 IMPACT REPORT

## 16,056 VIEWS

We switched to online worship only from March through September. Our total online views for Sunday worship increased three times over last year, with 14,595 total views coming live on Sunday and 1,461 views on demand.

## 99 VIEWERS

Average number of viewers who connected with Pastor Bob each week on Facebook Live during Wednesdays at 1.

## 432 DOWNLOADS

Total downloads for our app doubled this year.

## 12,305 VISITORS

Number of visitors to our website increased about 20% over last year.

# 2020

DURING AN UNPRECEDENTED PANDEMIC, WE FOUND NEW WAYS TO BE THE CHURCH, TO REACH OUT TO OTHERS, TO WORSHIP TOGETHER AND TO SERVE OUR COMMUNITY.

- **Studies and small groups** found ways to meet, whether online or outside.
- **Student and Children's Ministry** got creative online and continued ministry outdoors through home visits, adopt a graduate, and more.
- **Preschool** stayed open to serve essential workers.
- **Handicapable** continued to reach out to members each week by text and phone. They recently moved to online worship with a new YouTube channel. An average of **180** people attended Handi in person or online each week.

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## 317,520 POUNDS OF FOOD

In addition to the food distributed at our Druid location, our Open Arms Ministry shares food with six other churches and faith-based organizations, including two other UMC churches. 159 tons of food have been distributed since January!

## 26,500 MEALS PACKED

Before the pandemic, we packed over 26,500 meals in the gym for Open Arms.



## 856 FACE MASKS

Volunteers made over 850 face masks for local medical personnel.

## 115 PRAYER SHAWLS

Since March, 115 prayer shawls have brought comfort to people in 13 different states.



## 1,200 CALLS

Between March and June the 17 volunteers on our Care Team placed over 1,200 calls to connect with and check on over 300 church members and friends, many who were isolated during quarantine.

## 345 GIFTS FOR TEACHERS

345 goodie bags and handwritten notes of encouragement were delivered to teachers at our partner schools. Over 30 volunteers helped by welcoming teachers on our cheer teams and stuffing bags.



## 35 STUDENTS

35 middle school students receive meals each week through our Pack-a-Sack ministry.

## 325 BACKPACKS

Thanks to your donations, our Back to School Jubilee was able to fill 325 backpacks for our partner schools to distribute to kids in need.

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