

# Alternative Christmas Mall 2018



According to the National Retail Federation, holiday shopping sales are predicted to top \$715 billion this season, with consumers planning to spend \$1000 each. Imagine the great things that would be possible if even a fraction of these funds were intentionally directed towards mercy and justice?

We have the opportunity to make thoughtful purchases at our **Alternative Christmas Mall** at FUMC on **December 2, 9, and 16**. On all three days, plan to shop in the Gathering Place for donations to charitable organizations as well as fair trade items from a variety of local vendors on the 9th and 16th. As you plan your holiday gift lists, consider reserving a portion of your spending to support mercy and justice.

Please fill out the enclosed order form and bring it to the **Alternative Mall**. Cash, checks, or credit cards will be accepted for donations and purchases from most vendors.

## Dec. 2, 9 & 16 First United Methodist Church

Please mark your selections from the following list and give to the cashier:

### Together

\_\_\_\_\_ \$10.00 one day of electricity for a family      \_\_\_\_\_ \$70.00 one week of electricity for a family      \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Other  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$35.00 1/2 a week of electricity for a family      \_\_\_\_\_ \$275.00 one month of electricity for a family

### The Big Garden Project

\_\_\_\_\_ \$20.00 to help buy seeds and seedlings for community gardens in low-income neighborhoods      \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Other  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$35.00 to build one raised bed to be used at a low-income community garden site  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$50.00 to pay for one day of garden programming for 20 low income youth

### Living Hope (formerly Pearl) Food Pantry

\_\_\_\_\_ \$15.00 to help stock the pantry      \_\_\_\_\_ \$30.00 to help stock the pantry      \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Other

### Interfaith Power and Light

\_\_\_\_\_ \$30.00 to support the religious response to global warming      \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Other

### Justice for Our Neighbors

\_\_\_\_\_ \$35.00 covers one legal consultation to determine if a person is eligible for life-changing immigration relief  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$50.00 to help an immigrant renew their legal permanent resident card and take a step closer to U.S. citizenship  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$70.00 will provide 2 hours of preparation for the Attorney of the Day program that represents infants and children in Immigration Court  
\_\_\_\_\_ other amount for immigration legal services for an individual or family      \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Other

### Siena/Francis House

\_\_\_\_\_ \$10.00 hygiene kit for a homeless person      \_\_\_\_\_ \$25.00 holiday meal for a homeless family      \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Other

### Heifer Project International

\_\_\_\_\_ \$20.00 to purchase a flock of chicks      \_\_\_\_\_ \$120.00 to purchase a pig  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$20.00 to purchase a flock of ducks      \_\_\_\_\_ \$120.00 to purchase a sheep  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$30.00 to purchase a hive of honeybees      \_\_\_\_\_ \$150.00 to purchase a llama  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$60.00 to purchase a trio of rabbits      \_\_\_\_\_ \$250.00 to purchase a water buffalo  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$60.00 to purchase tree seedlings      \_\_\_\_\_ \$500.00 to purchase a heifer



### Pastors Emergency Fund – Purchase HyVee Gas and Food Card to help with those in need

\_\_\_\_\_ \$25      \_\_\_\_\_ \$50      \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Other

**TOTAL ALTERNATIVE MALL SHOPPING BILL \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Payment method:  Cash     Check # \_\_\_\_\_     Credit Card (last 4 digits) \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**You will make just one payment or write one check to FUMC for the total amount.**

*Thank you for keeping the true meaning of Christmas in your heart this season!*