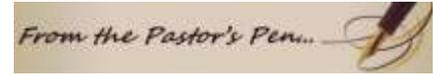




The Dingmans Ferry
United Methodist Church
THE BRIDGE
Newsletter

March/
April
2026



Greetings!

Are you tired of snow over snow just as I am? When we think the ground is ready to breathe, another white blanket covers it and it becomes frozen. However, a small moment recently reminded me of the upcoming spring.

While waiting for the school bus with my daughter in front of our church, we noticed a small pine tree. Its thin, fragile branches were bowed low, touching the frozen ground under the heavy weight of the snow. Talking about those branches, however, we do not feel bad about them, because we know that when the snow melts away, these branches will no longer stay down but they will reach toward the sky.

This long winter can sometimes numb our senses, making it difficult to feel the coming of spring. Yet, if we look closely, the signs are already here! Though the evenings remain crisp and cold, the afternoon sun is now warm enough that we find ourselves turning down the heat while we drive..

The ice on the river is breaking, and the water has begun its steady flow again. Nature is waking up, whispering that the darkness does not have the final word.

We need this reminder now more than ever. In a world which seems to be covered with “snow over snow” such as war, conflict, injustice, and violence, it is easy to feel bowed down like those pine branches. However, there are clear signs of “the spring of the world,” the fulfillment of the promise of God through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ!!

And here is the most beautiful sign of God’s promise fulfillment! It is all of you who follow Jesus faithfully, serve our community humbly, and choose love over hatred! You are a living sign of spring of the Kingdom of God! You are the evidence that the Resurrection is not just a past event, but a present reality. As we move through March and April, let us shake off the weight of winter and reach together toward the light of Christ.

Servant of God and God's people, ~Sung

MAUNDY THURSDAY

APRIL 2ND (THUR.) 6PM
AT THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

APRIL 3RD (FRI.) 7PM
AT THE HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

DINGMANS FERRY UMC
EASTER SERVICES
APRIL 5, 2026
SUNRISE SERVICE 7:30AM AT THE
PRAYER GROVE
EASTER SERVICE AT 10AM



"HE IS RISEN"

Matthew 28:6

Lectionary Reading of March and April

- **March 1 2nd Sunday in Lent**
Gen. 12:1-4a;
Ps. 121
Rom. 4:1-5, 13-17
Matt. 17:1-9*
- **March 8 3rd Sunday in Lent**
Ex. 17:3-7;
Ps. 95
Rom. 5:1-11
John 4:5-42
- **March 15 4th Sunday in Lent**
1 Sam. 16:1-13;
Ps. 23
Eph. 5:8-14
John 9:1-41
- **March 22 5th Sunday in Lent**
Ezek. 37:1-14;
Ps. 130
Rom. 8:6-11
John 11:1-45
- **March 29 Palm/Passion Sunday**
Palms: Ps. 118:1-2, 19-29
Passion:
Phil. 2:5-11
Passion: Matt. 26:14-27:66
- **March 30 Monday of Holy Week**
Isa. 42:1-9
Ps. 36:5-11
John 12:1-11
- **March 31 Tuesday of Holy Week**
Isa. 49:1-7
Ps. 71:1-14
John 12:20-36
- **April 1 Wednesday of Holy Week**
Isa. 50:4-9a
Ps. 70
John 13:21-32
- **April 2 Maundy Thursday**
Ex. 12:1-14
Ps. 116:1-2, 12-19
John 13:1-17, 31b-35
- **April 3 Good Friday**
Isa. 52:13-53:12
Ps. 22
John 18:1-19:42
- **April 4 Holy Saturday**
Job 14:1-14
Ps. 31:1-4, 15-16
Matt. 27:57-66
- **April 5 Easter Day**
Acts 10:34-43 Ps. 118:1-2, 14-24
Col. 3:1-4 Matt. 28:1-10
- **April 12 2nd Sunday of Easter**
Acts 2:14a, 22-32
Ps. 16
1 Peter 1:3-9
John 20:19-31
- **April 19 3rd Sunday of Easter**
Acts 2:14a, 36-41
Ps. 116:1-4, 12-19
1 Peter 1:17-23 Luke 24:13-35
- **April 26 4th Sunday of Easter**
Acts 2:42-47
Ps. 23
1 Peter 2:19-25
John 10:1-10

Hey Youth!
(Middle School and High School)
You are invited to
Dingmans Ferry UMC
(115 myck rd)
every first sunday
of the month 5-7pm
Movies, games, activities, foods,
stories, friends, and God.

DFUMC'S BIBLE STUDY
TUESDAY 10AM
WEDNESDAY 6:30PM



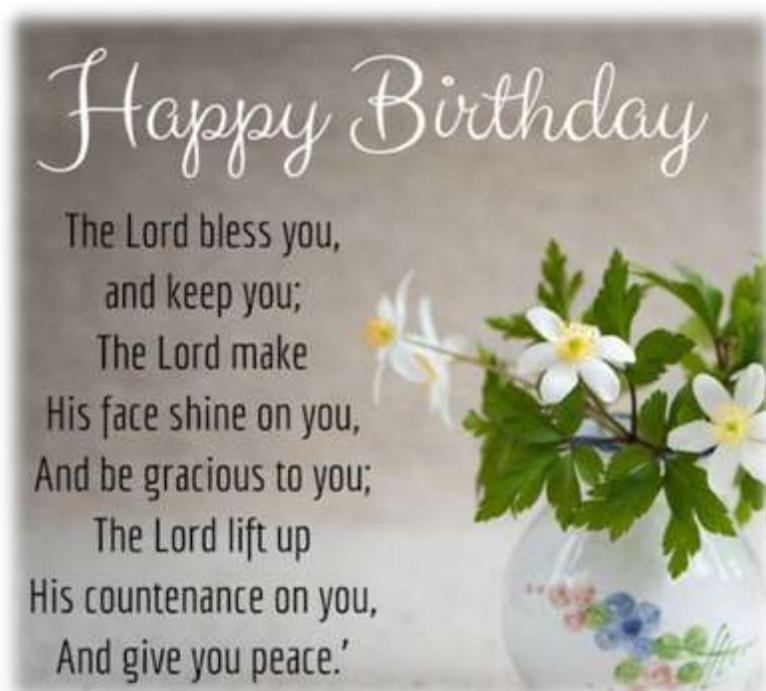
March and April Birthdays

March

- 3/7: Judy Smith
- 3/8: David Ridyard
- 3/9: Olivia Harrington
- 3/11: Karl Van Duzer
- 3/13: Benjamin Arnold
- 3/16: Abigail Arnold
- 3/18: Gayla Garren
- 3/19: Joanna Garerra
- 3/19: Seth Natter
- 3/19 Eleanor Hurley
- 3/25: Jill Mann
- 3/26: Kamren Jones
- 3/27: Karen Van Duzer
- 3/28: Jill Mann
- 3/28: Carol Magazino
- 3/30: Tom Bradley

April

- 4/1: April Cielinski
- 4/3: Danny Rutledge
- 4/4: Scott Wollman
- 4/4: Nicole Arnold
- 4/6: Layla Daskus
- 4/7: Greyson Shelton
- 4/7: Gabriel Lee Hartman
- 4/8: Donna Lewin
- 4/8: Norah Stangl
- 4/11: Michael Campanile Jr.
- 4/13: Michael Campanile Sr.
- 4/15: Doris Hnida
- 4/16: Aurora Higgins
- 4/19: Sarah Anderson (Higgins)
- 4/20: Faith Joseph *
- 4/22: Barrie Smith
- 4/23: Kassidy Macksoud
- 4/26: Deborah Kim
- 4/28: Jerry Schierloh
- 4/28: Caroline Woska





DINGMANS FERRY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
THURSDAY EVENING PRAYER MEETING
AT 8:30PM ON FACEBOOK

We invite you to share your prayer concerns and joys with us.

Faith is not meant to be lived alone.

This is why God has called us to be in community.

We take your prayer request very seriously and will pray with and for you.

If you have any prayer requests that you would like Pastor Sung to lift up during Sunday Worship Service, please submit them by noon on Friday (email to ksungduk@mail.com) so they can be included in Sunday's service.

Do you need a daily devotion during 40 Days of Lent?

Here, you can find out the daily devotion.

Please scan the QR code or click the link below. God bless you!

[Lenten Daily Devotional Guide \(2026\)](#)



▲ The Little Church In The Woods ▲
Is Holding Its Semi-Annual



Clothing Giveaway

Saturday • March 14th
8^{AM} - 1^{PM}

Good • Clean • Used Clothing
Men's • Women's • Children's • Infant's
Baby Items • Household Items

FREE OF CHARGE

Please Bring Empty Bags

*Donations Can Be Left At The Church
Beginning March 8th*

☪ Dingmans Ferry United Methodist Church
is at 115 Myck Road off of Park Road... right behind Childs Park.
Call with any questions 570-828-2288.



**Come to Church Worship Service at 10AM
& join us downstairs after Children's Time.**

**March 29th is Children's Sunday.
They will participate in the worship.**

**May 17th Confirmation Sunday
June 7th is graduation and Sunday School recognition day.**

Let's celebrate together!



EASTER EGG HUNT

**AT DINGMANS FERRY
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

115 MYCK ROAD

SUNDAY MARCH 29TH

RIGHT AFTER THE 10AM SERVICE

FACE PAINTING AND MORE ACTIVITIES!

**WOULD YOU LOVE TO SUPPORT
BABY BLESSING PANTRY MINISTRY?
WE ACCEPT DIAPERS, FORMULA,
CLOTHES, ETC. THANK YOU!**

"Souper Bowl of Caring Results"

Again this year we have helped hungry people by participating in the Souper Bowl of Caring. We collected \$97 for the Pastor's Outreach Fund and donated many items to the food pantry which will help families in our area. God bless your faithfulness.

"Offering of Letters: Nourish the Future"

On Sunday, April 19 we will speak up for hungry children in our country and around the world by participating in Bread for the World's Offering of Letters: Nourish the Future. Our letters will ask our members of Congress to strengthen programs that help children in our country like WIC and SNAP. We will also ask them to support international food and health programs that help children and families.

For 50 years Bread for the World has been a faithful Christian voice on Capitol Hill speaking up through the members for hungry people in our country and around the world. Our letters will join with hundreds of others coming from across the country. Add your voice for hungry children and participate on Sunday, April 19.

- Elaine Cooper, Mission Committee



Reminder....
Daylight Savings
Time Begins on
March 8th

 The Little Church In The Woods Presents A 

Mother's Day Plant Sale

Hanging Plants
Vegetables
Flowering Plants
Flats

Saturday

MAY 9TH

9AM-2PM

All Proceeds
Support Our Free
Vacation Bible School

 Dingmans Ferry United Methodist Church

is on Myck Road off Park Road... behind Childs Park.

Call with any questions 570-828-2288 or check www.DFUMC.com



The Little Church In The Woods Presents



Upcoming **FREE** **LONDON BROIL** **BARBECUES 4^{PM} - 6^{PM}**

Saturday April 18th
In Loving Memory Of
Rick Vodilko

Saturday May 16th
In Loving Memory Of
Jack & Rita O'Brien

Saturday June 20th
Sponsored by the Family of
Harry Arnold



**Donations Gratefully Accept
For Our Community Outreach!**



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is at 115 Myck Road off Park Road... behind Childs Park.

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Treehouse PLAYGROUP

at DFUMC

115 Myck Road, Dingmans Ferry, in the Fellowship Hall (use rear entrance)

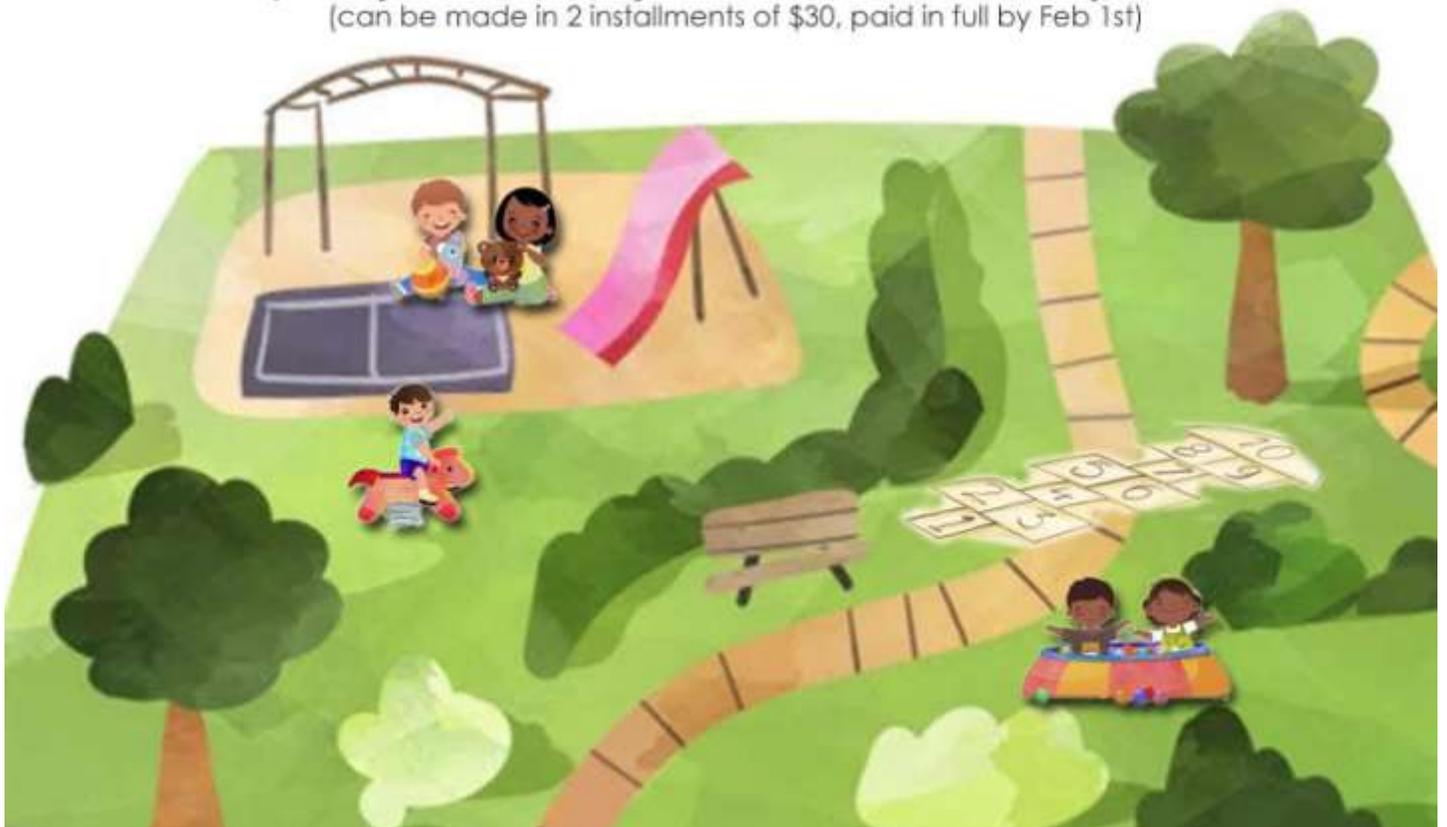
Friday's starting September 26th
through the end of the school year.

Includes: guardian/child playtime while socially
interacting with other families, craft & snack

12:30pm - 2pm / ages: 0-5

\$60 per family for the school year

(can be made in 2 installments of \$30, paid in full by Feb 1st)



Finance Report for Jan/Feb 2026

Thank you so much for your giving!

**Total Offering \$18,054 (including pledges \$5,335)
(2026's Jan/Feb total offering was \$10,303)**

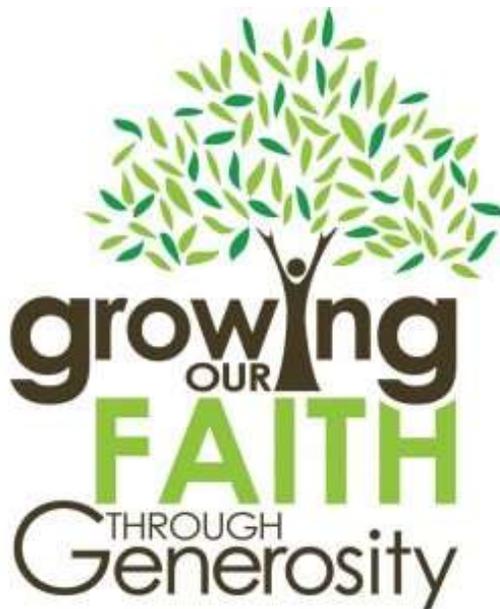
Total Income \$48,960.20

Total Expense \$52,347.86

**If you can make up the pledge giving you have missed,
it will be a great help for us to pay the bills below.**

**Bills not paid yet from 2023 \$4,067.44
GNJ's Shared Ministry of 2026 \$20,803**

Would you love to give now? Scan the QR Code.



Ministry Sign-Up



There are lots of opportunities available to serve the ministry of God here in the Dingmans Ferry United Methodist Church. Look over the list and see if something appeals to you. If you have any questions, just talk to pastor Sung!

Worship Committee: Please fill out the survey on the back table at the sanctuary to be the Greeter, Scripture Reader, Eucharistic Minister, Prayer Leader, etc.

Music Ministry: Join the Choir, Offer to play an Instrument for Special Services, Assist with Audio/Video as needed.

Trustee Committee: Share in the care and up-keep of the church facilities, Let the church office know if you have special skills in Electrical, Plumbing, carpentry etc. (Your assistance could save the church from hiring someone and incurring a bill.)

Missions: Work with others on Baby Blessings Ministry, Bread for the World, Food Pantry Donations, Holiday Angel Tree & Food Distribution, Nursing Home Visits w/Pastor,

Fundraiser and Communication: Assist chairpersons of committees as needed, Prepare and Put Street Signs Out, Help with Event Set-up/Clean-up.

United Women of Faith (UWF): Please join the women of the church in Ministry Service & Fellowship. They meet 4 times a year. Watch for meeting announcements.

United Methodist Men (UMM): The Men of the church are here for Ministry, Service and Fellowship.

Want to Help?

If you, your business, or perhaps a few of you, would like to sponsor one of our upcoming London Broil Dinners, please contact the church office ASAP. The dinners are FREE to the community. Our Flyers, street signs and announcements will feature your names unless you prefer to remain anonymous. The cost for sponsorship is \$400. Checks should be made out to "DFUMC" and "London Broil Sponsor" should be noted on the memo line. This year, London Broil begins from May.



Thank you

-DFUMC Mission Committee



Welcome New Members

*Join the Church
Family!*

Please see/contact
Pastor Sung or call the
church office if you
would like to become
a member.

(570) 828-2288

Call the Church Office or See Pastor Sung TODAY!

PLEASE SIGN -UP



We're always looking for volunteers to bring in goodies for our Fellowship Coffee Hour that is held after the 10AM Worship Service in Fellowship Hall.

You don't have to set anything up, just bring your goodies to share.

Clean-up: Many hands make light work!

Please see the sign-up on the table in the sanctuary. Thank you in advance!

ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD

Ad Board meetings are usually held bi-monthly.
The next Ad Board Meeting: **March 30th at 7PM**



Ad Board Members 2026

Pastor: Sungduk Kim

Ad Council Chairperson - Donna Frable

Ad Council Secretary - Linda Rutledge

SPRC Chairperson - Carol Magazino

Lay Leader - Carol Birtner

Alt. Lay Member - Elise Knapp

UMW - Jill Mann & Linda Rutledge

Finance Chairperson - Mary Balton

Church Treasurer - Susan Dennison

Finance Counters - Linda Rutledge / Jill Mann

Trustee Chairperson - Paul Wojcik

Worship Chairperson - Scott Knapp

Organist: Chris Bradley

Sunday School - Elise Knapp

Missions Chairperson - Elaine Cooper

UMM - Seth Natter

Recording Secretary - David Cowan

Communications-Jim Bois, Tom Hahn, Linda Rutledge

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The SPRC Meets April 12th after coffee hour.

Those serving on the SPRC for 2026 are:
Carol Magazino, Susan Ridyard, Mandy Librizzi,
Linda Rutledge, Jill Mann, and Elise Knapp.

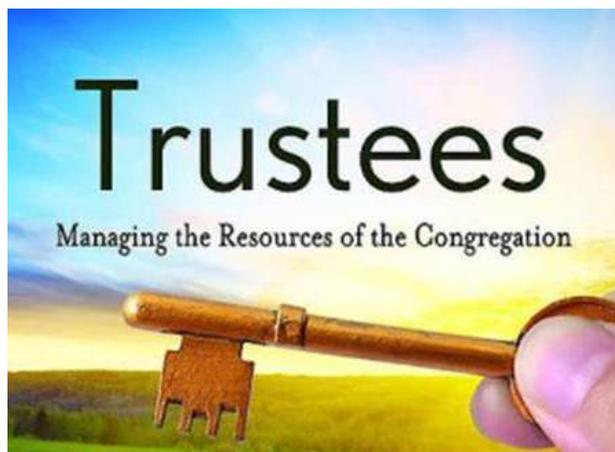


FINANCE COMMITTEE

Our talents, possessions, and time are all gifts from God. Our offerings and gifts are our return to God through DFUMC. Your weekly and monthly offerings are our most important source of funds to support our ministries and missions.

The following persons are serving on the Finance Committee for 2026:
Pastor Sung, Mary Balton, Donna Frable, Carol Magazino, Carol Birtner
Susan Dennison, and Dave Cowan.

Those serving as Trustees for 2026 are:
Rob Balton, Paul Wocjik, Justin Riccardi, Keith Bush, Ed Moraga
John Magazino, David Ridyard, and Scott Knapp.



VBS 2026 SOON!

—★—
STAY TUNED FOR DETAILS

EXTRA WORSHIP SERVICE PLANNING

—★—
WE ARE PLANNING TO HAVE AN
EXTRA WORSHIP SERVICE.
PLEASE JOIN THE SURVEY.

Please click the link below or scan the QR code.

<https://form.typeform.com/to/xzZHtWEV>



DINGMANS FERRY

Baby Blessing PANTRY

Opens Second Sunday 11am
of each month!
Come & pick baby's essentials



**DINGMANS FERRY
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**
for more info. call 570-828-2288



Nursing Home Ministry

Please Join Us!

During the month we get together with the nursing home residents of DV Personal Care, DV Rehab, and Milford Rehab Center for our time of "Hymns and Scripture".

Our monthly visits give us the great honor and opportunity to visit and serve in the name of Jesus Christ.

Our Schedule for

March and April:

Del. Valley Personal Care

Mar 11th & Apr. 15th (Wed.) 2PM

Del. Valley Rehab Center

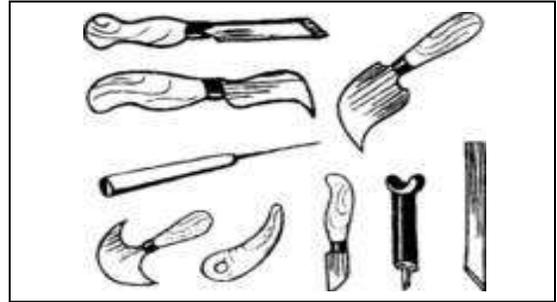
Mar. 4th & April 8th (Wed.) 2PM

Milford Rehab Center

Mar 18th & Apr. 22th (Wed.) 2PM

We invite and encourage you to please join us!

If you have any questions,
Talk to Jill Mann



WOODCARVERS

&

Sewing, Crocheting & Etc.

Our Woodcarving, Sewing & Etc. group meets on Wednesday's from 10:00am to 12:30pm at Art and Carol Birtner's home. If you've never done either before, don't let that stop you! We can teach you enough to get you started.

Come & Join us!!

It's Lots of FUN!

Talk to Carol Birtner if you want more information.





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Vacation Bible School † Preschool † Kinder-Camp
Bible Study † Prayer Meeting † Baby Blessings Pantry
Mission/Outreach Projects † Men's/Women's Missions
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www.dfumc.com • We're on Facebook too!**

Don't miss our Sunday Worship Service at 10AM!

For Online Donation/Giving: Visit our Website DFUMC.Com

OR

See Our Church App:

<https://easytithe.ministryone.com/landing/VWLE>

Scan QR Code →

