

Our Vision: Engaging



worship



fellowship



learning



and service.

Pledging Prayerfully

We believe that gratitude to and for Jesus Christ naturally results in stewardship—in an outpouring of our time, our talents and treasures for Christ's service.

Your decision to pledge and how much to pledge are a matter for you to consider with God through prayer. *Horizons Stewardship* suggests asking, in prayer "Lord, where do you want me to be in my giving?" You might be prompted to be a:

First Time Giver: begin to give

Intentional Giver: give a planned % of

Growing Giver: increase the % of your

Tither: begin to give a tithe

Abundant Giver: give beyond the tithe (10% + of income)

First United Presbyterian Church

Our Mission: Called to be a light on the hill, we boldly proclaim and serve, Christ, the hope of our changing world.

Our Vision: Reaching out as a visible expression of God's grace, we will meet people where they are, inviting all into Christ's family through engaging worship, fellowship, learning and service.

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First United Presbyterian Church Gospel Generosity



**Grateful Giving
Annual Stewardship
Campaign
2020**

Grateful Giving



As Presbyterians, we believe that everything is God's gift, and ultimately belongs to God. God makes all resources—time, talent, spiritual gifts, money, even the earth itself—available to us to use for God's own purposes. Much of what our church has to offer is made possible because so many in our congregation generously share their time and talent. Doing God's work; however, requires treasure as well. Every November, church members have the opportunity to make a pledge (giving estimate) for the coming year. The 2020 Challenge budget calls for a 6.5% increase in pledges. Pledges make up 72% of the challenge budget income so they are vital to the life of our church. Your pledge helps our church leadership plan for the coming year. Please give generously.



Our Ministry Structure

Equipping

The Personnel, Properties, Nominating, Stewardship, and Planning Ministry Teams along with the Trustees and Endowment Committee all serve to help ensure that our church is equipped with the staff, volunteer leadership, physical property and funds necessary to carry out our mission and vision now and in the future.

Engaging

The Worship, Fellowship, Belonging, Welcoming, and Spiritual Growth Ministry Teams along with the Deacons and Stephen Ministry all serve to engage and care for the congregation. They enhance worship, provide learning and fellowship opportunities, offer hospitality and foster loving relationships.

Reaching Out

The Outreach and Service Ministry Team oversees the service we do beyond our doors, including the stewardship of 12.7% of our church operating budget which supports mission trips, Community Meals, the denomination, Presbyterian camps, mission work in Honduras, United Campus Ministry, and many non-profit groups.

Communicating

In response to input received from the congregation at the 2019 Annual Meeting, a Communications Ministry Team is being formed. They will be responsible for our website, social media presence and for reaching out to the community about church services, programs and activities.

2020 Challenge Budget

The budget for the equipping ministries includes a cost of living increase for pastors and staff, staff support for the Communications Ministry, a minor increase in building maintenance costs, a minor increase in administrative costs, and a budget increase for session expenses.

Total Equipping Budget: \$723,285

The budget for the engaging ministries includes an increase for music and liturgical arts, opportunities for fellowship for youth, young adults and new members, and funds for camp and conference scholarships. A significant amount of the staff time and talent covered by the equipping budget is devoted to the engaging ministries.

Total Engaging Budget: \$51,402

The Outreach and Service Ministry budget includes more funding for hands-on mission projects, and increased support of the denomination, United Campus Ministry, Dwight Mission Camp, Ferncliff Camp, Community Emergency Outreach, 7Hills, Peace at Home, Lifestyles, Single Parent Scholarship, and Children's House.

Total Reaching Out Budget \$112,990

The Communications ministry budget will be used to enhance our church website and online communication. It will cover the cost of publicity for church services and programs. The team will ensure that the congregation and the community are well informed about all our church offers.

Total Communications Budget: \$5,000

Total Challenge Budget: \$887,677

Our Mission: To Boldly Proclaim and Serve Christ