

**A Message
From the Stewardship Committee**

Here is an overview of this year's church budget. We want to thank each of you who make this ministry possible through your commitments and contributions. Hopefully, it will help each of us to see how our gifts are used and what a difference they make.

Each year our church budget is based on the careful recommendation of each church committee. Each is "ministry-based," estimating the actual cost of performing the ministries and missions entrusted to them.

Next year's projected budget will be similar in proportion, while the actual numbers will probably increase. In addition, we plan to add a part-time educator to our staff. Based on our initial projections, we are anticipating a **ten percent increase** in ministry investments. Of course, this will only happen if we can anticipate a ten percent increase in ministry income!

This is an ambitious, but reachable goal. It will require sacrificial giving not only by those presently supporting the ministries of our church, but also by those who have not yet shared in this collective responsibility up to now.

If you have any questions, please contact a Stewardship Committee member or someone from the session. You may bring your commitment card to **Commitment Sunday, October 26, 2009**, or mail it to the church office.

Sincerely,

Don Dollars
Stewardship Committee Moderator

**The Ministry of our Church
Through the Annual Budget**

Ministry Income

Pledged Commitments	\$200,000
Non-pledged Gifts	\$110,000
Loose Offering	\$10,000
Special Gifts	\$50,000
Campaign Gifts	\$50,000
Interest and Investments	\$30,000
User Fees	\$10,000
Per Capita Gifts (if individuals pay)	
Endowment Revenue	\$40,000
Anderson Scholarship Fund	\$2,000
(College scholarships)	
Facilities Endowment	\$5,000
Worship Endowment	\$3,000
(list name, purposes and revenues)	
Total Projected 2008 Income	\$500,000

Ministry Investment

The Worship Ministry

Of our Church \$260,000

Worship ministries are provided by our Pastor (50%), Minister of Music and Organist. These ministries are supported through the work of the Worship Committee, Support Staff and our wonderful facilities.

The Education Ministry

Of our Church \$80,000

These ministries are provided by our Associate Pastor ((50%), Christian Educator, Youth Director and Nursery Workers. The budget also has funds for Recreation Activities. The educational ministries of our church are coordinated by the Education

Committee and supported by staff. A valued resource is our education wing.

Caring for our Members \$75,000

Pastoral Care is provided by our Pastor (45%) and our Associate Pastor (50%). In addition, we have the Board of Deacons, Stephen Ministries, Fellowship Committee, and a fund to assist members with professional counseling.

**The Evangelism and Outreach
Ministries of Our Church \$5,000**

We have support for these ministries through our Evangelism Committee, Communications Committee and Outreach Committee.

**The Mission Ministries of Our
Church \$70,000 (14%)**

Support for our overall mission ministry is channeled through gifts to the Presbyterian Church (USA), Synod of the Rocky Mountains, Presbytery of Denver, and the work of the congregation's Community Mission Committee. Other designated gifts are forwarded as requested by their donors. Support is provided by the pastor (5%).

**The Presbyterian Partnerships of
Our Church \$10,000**

Our connection to the larger church is funded through Per Capita, which underwrites the ecclesiastical needs provided through the larger church.

***A Message
From our Pastor***

Dear Church Family,

This stewardship brochure reaches you at a high point in our church's ministry. Our members continue to give generously in an effort both to care for one another and to help our community find the way that leads to life.

In difficult and bewildering times for many in our society, the church is steering a bold yet steady course through the waters.

I urge you to express your support for our church and its ongoing missions and ministries by committing to the 2010 ministry budget with a significant offering of your financial blessings. You can do this by:

1. Prayerfully and thoughtfully filling out enclosed commitment card.
2. Coming with your commitment card to our **Commitment Sunday on October 26, 2009**. If you are unable to attend that day, you may mail the card to the church office.

Exciting and demanding times such as these give us an opportunity to do our best. Let us do our best, to the glory of God and the world's saving.

Your pastor in Christ,

Cary Clergy

*INVESTING
IN OUR MINISTRY*



*WHERE THE MONEY
COMES AND GOES*

A Look at This Year's Budget

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