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Dear Friends in Christ,

What an incredible year of celebrating forty years of Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church! The ministries, worship, and outreach are the fruit of the seeds of faith planted by those who came before us. It is time for us to plant new seeds and continue the legacy in generations to come.

This year's stewardship theme, **A Living Legacy: Called to Plant, Called to Grow**, invites us to reflect on where we've come from, how God is at work among us now, and the future God is calling us to cultivate together.

Your Invitation to Plant and Grow

This stewardship season, we invite you to prayerfully consider your pledge for 2026. Every gift—large or small—is a seed that God can use. Together, we can continue the legacy of faith, hope, and love that has marked Grace Covenant's ministry for decades.

Let us be a congregation that plants abundantly, tends faithfully, and trusts God to give the growth.

With gratitude in Christ,

Rev. Karen Wright, the 2026 Generosity Team, and Session of Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church





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Happy are those who trust in the Lord, who rely on the Lord. They will be like trees planted by the streams, whose roots reach down to the water.

— Jeremiah 17: 7-8

2026 Generosity Campaign

October 12, Week 1 "Planted in Faith"

October 19, Week 2 "God Gives the Growth"

October 26, Week 3
Pledge Dedication Sunday
"Sowing for the Future"

Generosity Team*

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2026 Narrative Budget Total Asking Budget: \$880,311

Theme: GATHER - EQUIP - SEND

At Grace Covenant, our budget is more than numbers—it tells the story of who we are and how we live out our calling as Christ's church. Under the theme of **GATHER**, we invest in worship and community life that draw us together in God's presence. Through **EQUIP**, we nurture disciples of all ages, giving us tools to grow in faith and share it with others. In **SEND**, we extend God's love into the world through mission, outreach, and hospitality.

Though categories like personnel and facilities overlap, these allocations reflect how our financial resources embody the mission and identity of Grace Covenant today.



Worship is the heartbeat of Grace Covenant. Nearly half of our budget is dedicated to this ministry, which sustains both in-person and online worship. This investment provides for preaching, music leadership, the care of our sanctuary, and the staff who make worship possible.

Our choirs and ensembles enrich our services and invite members of all ages to share their musical gifts. Worship at Grace Covenant grounds us in God's Word, nourishes our faith, and strengthens our spiritual bond as a community.

EQUIP: Faith Formation – \$315,080

As followers of Jesus, we are called to grow in faith throughout all stages of life. This budget supports curriculum and programming for every age, from children's ministry and SMASH to youth group and adult discipleship.

In 2026, we are rebuilding our youth programming, including youth music, while expanding opportunities for adult learning and connection. These ministries nurture relationships, provide care in times of challenge, and equip us to live as Christ's disciples in daily life.

SEND: Mission and Outreach - \$137,800

Grace Covenant has always been committed to serving others locally and globally. Our budget supports partnerships with the Good Faith Network, IHN, Uplift, the KCK Hot Lunch program, and more—hands-on opportunities for us to put faith into action.

We also extend hospitality by opening our doors to the community. Pioneer Preschool, the Arabic Christian Fellowship, AA groups, Boy Scouts, EncoreKC!, and concerts such as Embellish Handbells all find a home here. Every week, our building is alive with voices of both members and neighbors. This outward-facing ministry reflects our call to share God's love and build bridges of community.



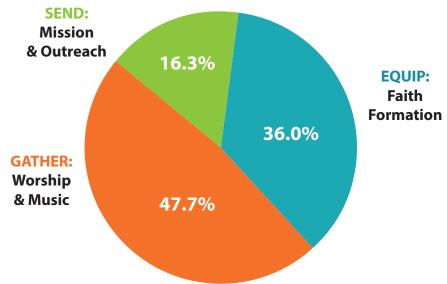








Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church 2026 Narrative Budget









	2025 Budget	2026 Asking Budget
Children's Ministry	\$4,000	\$5,580
Youth Ministry	\$4,000	\$6,000
Adult Ministry	\$500	\$1000
Mission	\$16,000	\$13,550
Kairos	\$750	\$1250
Welcoming	\$250	\$250
Marketing	\$2,400	\$3,500
Music	\$7,150	\$7,000
Worship	\$1,600	\$1,900
Care and Connection	\$1000	\$1000
Deacons	\$0	\$1000
Office	\$46,000	\$50,000
Facilities	\$206.000	\$209,500
Finance/Generosity	\$6,800	\$7,000
Personnel	\$486,535	\$516,781
Administration	\$49,000	\$55,000
TOTAL	\$831,985	\$880,311

What is Stewardship

Stewardship is our faithful response to God's abundant gifts. It is more than giving money—it is offering our time, talents, and treasure in gratitude for God's grace. Just as a tree flourishes when rooted by streams of water, our church thrives when each of us invests in its life and mission. Through stewardship we recognize that all we have belongs to God, and we are called to nurture, grow, and share these gifts for the sake of Christ's work in the world.

Strengthening Our Building

Grace Covenant has always been a place where faith takes root, community gathers, and ministry flourishes. Our building is more than bricks and mortar—it is a place where we gather to be fed and nurtured, and it is a place for our congregation and our wider community to gather. Past capital campaigns have allowed us to dream boldly and care faithfully for this space: repairing roofs, upgrading HVAC, restoring the organ, and strengthening our worship with sound and technology. Now we look to the future with the same spirit of faith and vision.

The Facilities team keeps a list of projects that are needed to keep our space safe and functioning. We know the roof of the west wing is due for replacement. We also know that window casings need attention as do exterior doors. Equipment that has served well is outdated. As we look at the list of projects and their cost, we are exploring options to determine the best way forward. Whether that is a new capital campaign that invites extraordinary gifts, or through a line of credit that offers flexibility for timely projects, our goal remains the same: to keep our campus safe, welcoming, and ready for the ministry God is calling us to today and for generations to come.

Why We Give

Giving is an act of trust—a way of placing our lives into God's hands and aligning our hearts with His.

Through our giving, we:

- Strengthen ministries that feed the hungry and comfort the grieving
- Support worship that inspires and uplifts
- Sustain programs that teach, nurture, and equip disciples of all ages

Stewardship isn't just about money—it's about how we respond to God's abundant love with gratitude. It's how we live out our faith every day by caring for one another, our church, and the world.



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