

## Our Mission

Just as Jesus sent his twelve disciples, a diverse group with a variety of life experiences, to preach and to heal, we at First Presbyterian Church of Auburn celebrate God's love for all people and all creation. We dedicate ourselves to being a nurturing community of faith which loves God with heart, mind, soul, and strength, and who loves our fellow humans as we love ourselves. We give special attention to those whom Jesus called the least of these--the poor, hungry, sick, lonely, imprisoned, and oppressed.

Each year we pledge our time, talent, and treasure to support our mission. Our financial pledges set our annual budget to fund:

- Worship
- Care and Fellowship
- Christian Education
- Outreach
- Stewardship
- UKirk Campus Ministry

**2021 budget = \$751,227**

**2022 proposed budget = \$834,568**

**Increase = \$83,341**

**Pledging increase needed = 11%**

What we are especially excited about for 2022:

Increased funding for:

- Youth/children's program across all age groups
- Help in sending Middle Schoolers to the 2022 Montreat Middle School Conference
- Church and Community fund, which offers assistance to local organizations serving vulnerable community members
- A 5% cost of living increase for our salaried staff

## Additional Giving Opportunities

In a typical year we are invited to participate in additional fundraisers above and beyond our annual pledge. The following opportunities may be available in 2022:

### Winter

Christmas Joy Offering  
Christmas Mission Dinner  
Souper Bowl of Caring

### Fall

Peacemaking Offering  
Fall Football Parking

### Spring

One Great Hour of Sharing  
Easter Candy Drive  
UKirk Annual Fundraiser  
Youth Annual Fundraiser

### Ongoing

Facility Improvement Fund  
Legacy Fund (planned giving)  
Presbyterian Disaster Relief  
Sanctuary Flowers  
Sunday Punch

### Summer

Pentecost Offering  
Back to School Drive



## First Presbyterian Church of Auburn Annual Pledge Drive 2021



*Rooted and Grounded  
in Love*



**“and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love.”**

*-Ephesians 3:17*

Inspired by Ephesians 3:17, the 2022 First Presbyterian Church of Auburn Stewardship Campaign invites us to remember that we are a congregation connected to one another by roots of faith and spiritual family. Financial pledges made by members and friends of our congregation free us to serve God deeply and fully, with creativity and new possibility. As we celebrate all that God has been able to accomplish in and through our church in 2021, we look forward to the future with hope and gratitude, discerning who God is calling us to be and how God is guiding us to use our gifts of time, talent, and treasure in the year ahead.



## Worship

**\$165,283**

Worship is the center of our life together. Here we are given the opportunity to give thanks for the ways the love of Christ is made known in our lives. Pledges support the many staff members, music programs, and ongoing maintenance and technology that make worship possible.



## Stewardship

**\$84,900**

The membership and budget of First Presbyterian has experienced significant growth in the last six years. As our classrooms fill and fellowship spaces receive constant use for ministries such as Bravehearts, Presbyterian Community Ministry, weekly fellowship, youth, and UKirk events as well as funeral receptions and other gatherings, the realities of maintaining an aging facility cannot be denied. As you consider your pledge this year, know that great care has been taken to present a proposed budget we pray will cover routine maintenance and necessary repairs. As we look to 2022, we look to continue to follow our Ekklesia Master Plan to maintain but also improve our facility in order to nurture and grow the ministries that take place here.



## Care and Fellowship

**\$75,494.51**

Following Jesus' command to "love one another," pledges support the work of our pastors and parish nurses as well as provide opportunities for breaking bread, gathering together as church family, and sharing in one another's joys and sorrows.

## Christian Education

**\$169,020.32**

The Children and Youth Committee will continue to work towards keeping our children and youth connected to the church and to one another as we navigate the challenges of COVID-19. The focus for 2022 will be providing a safe transition back to in-person Christian education as outlined by our church's reopening plan, so that members can continue their faith journey and experience a transformational relationship with God.

## Outreach/Missions

**\$121,422.27**

The ministry of FPC Auburn extends far beyond our church's walls. Pledges support our partnerships with local & global ministries.

## Property (\$100,989.88) & Welcome (\$52,370.88)

Although access to our property has been limited in 2020 and 2021, we have been working hard to adapt our facilities to the needs presented by the pandemic: touchless faucets, updated wifi and technology related to virtual worship, hand sanitizing stations, etc. In the year ahead we hope to resume the plans outlined in our Ekklesia Master Plan to create a safe and welcoming space for all to worship and grow.



## UKirk

**\$65,087.14**

From its very beginnings, First Presbyterian has served as a church home to Auburn University. It is our privilege and our calling to provide these young adults with care and nurture through meals, Bible studies, and opportunities for service. Your pledge supports our ability to fulfill the greater church's mission to nurture young adults to service in Christ's name at a pivotal point in their lives.