

MOUNT PLEASANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



2025-2026

MINISTRY INVESTMENT REPORT

Sharing Christ's love through faithful worship and service, inviting all to experience God's grace.

“I give to MPPC to not only make a meaningful difference in my life, but in the lives of so many within the church and the community.”
– Margaret Agee



2027 VISIONARY BUDGET

\$2.86M

OUR SHARED GOAL FOR 2027

100 NEW PLEDGES



“Our family gives each month because we have made it a priority. We know MPPC and the community (near and far) it serves relies on us as a congregation and as disciples.”
– Rebecca Sailor

WHAT DO MY GIFTS SUPPORT?



FAITH FORMATION

Growing us as followers of Jesus

Wonder @ Worship (W@W), Nursery Ministry, Vacation Bible School, Milestone Ministry, Youth Group, Prayer Breakfast, Youth Trips and Events, Sunday School, Curriculum, Pacesetters, Third Act, Church Libraries

WORSHIP & MUSIC

Leading us into God's presence and equipping us for God's service in the world

Preaching, Liturgy, Musicians, Worship Bulletins, Instrument Maintenance, Ushering Supplies, Worship & Music Supplies, Memorial and Funeral Services

MISSIONS & OUTREACH

Serving those in need with the love of Christ

Local Community Benevolence Giving, International Missions, Presbytery Giving, Angel Tree Christmas Ministry, ECCO Grocery Bag Sunday, Rise Against Hunger, C.A.J.M.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Connecting as a church family

Congregational Fellowship Events, Deacons, Stephen Ministry, Sunday Breakfasts and Wonderful Wednesday Meals, Home Communion, Prayer Shawls, Bereavement Care

ADMINISTRATION & MINISTRY SUPPORT

Making the ministry & mission we do possible

Office & Technology Equipment/Supplies, Technology Fees & Training, Church Membership Software, Financial Management, Printing Costs, Postage & Delivery

PROPERTY & GROUNDS

Providing a place to worship & gather

Insurance, Electricity, Natural Gas, Water/Sewer/Trash, Cleaning & Janitorial Services, Lawn Care & Supplies, Equipment Repair & Maintenance, Building Repair & Maintenance, Signage & Lighting Systems





Welcoming Rev.
Jon Frost as a
new associate
pastor and
strengthening
our staff and
expanding our
ministry
together.



**WHAT
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Bringing
continued energy
to our music
ministry with a
new Sanctuary
organ and a
variety of concerts
featuring talented
musicians from
near and far.

Supporting
mission partners
both locally and
around the world
and extending
our ministry
beyond our
church walls.





Offering programs and opportunities throughout the year for children, youth, and adults to learn, grow, connect, and serve together.

Caring for our church home through pressure washing, landscaping updates, and other improvements to our campus.

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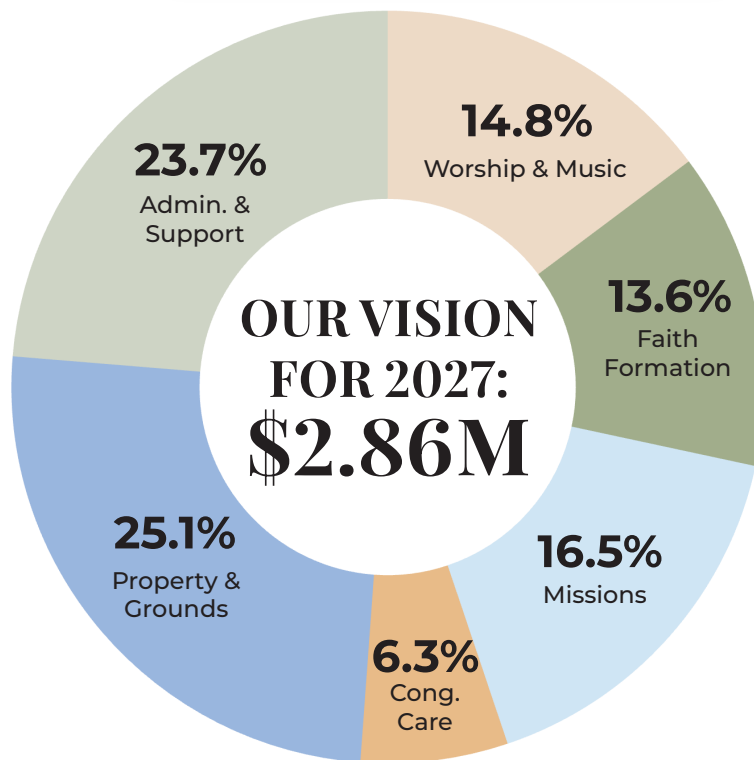


Making improvements to the Fellowship Hall to better support Breakfast Church and Wednesday nights.



MINISTRY INVESTMENT

These are ministries we feel called toward as our congregation grows in generosity together. Each represents an area where increased support would allow us to meet a real, present need.



DREAM BUDGET

	Worship & Music	\$423,280
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	Faith Formation	\$388,960
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	Missions	\$471,900
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	Congregational Care	\$180,180
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	Property & Grounds	\$717,860
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	Administration & Support	\$677,820
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ASPIRATIONAL GOALS

Breakfast Church is a beloved way for our community to gather and worship together. New liturgical furnishings would create a warmer, more welcoming space for this growing community.

As our number of young families grow, we're hoping to expand our birth-preschool ministry with toddler Sunday school classes, a parent program, and toddler classes during W@W and VBS.

As the cost of daily life rises, we are seeking to increase mission giving by 20%, ensuring our support keeps pace with our mission partners' growing expenses.

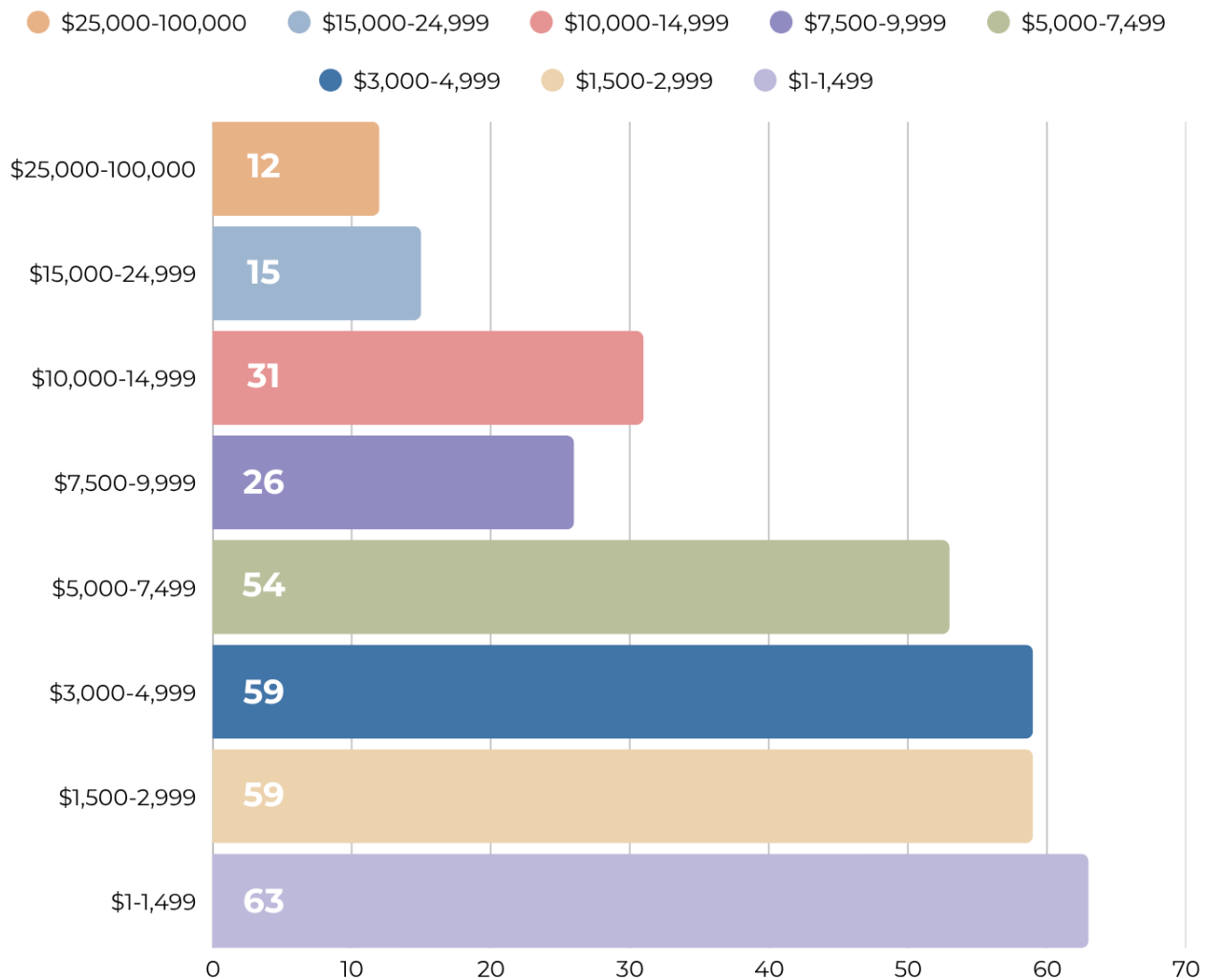
Investing in our community allows relationships to grow and deepen organically, so we can care for one another in times of need.

Catching up on deferred maintenance isn't glamorous, but it's stewardship. It's important to care for spaces God entrusted to us, so they can serve our community for years to come.

Like our mission partners, we've felt rising costs across the board, from paper products to copyright licensing. Increased funding is needed simply to maintain our current services.

Thank you for prayerfully considering how you might partner in these goals. A detailed church budget is available in the church office at any time upon request. Personnel costs are allocated across these categories based on where our staff spend the majority of their time and ministry effort.

2026 PLEDGES BY THE NUMBERS



Average Pledge:
\$6,046

Number of Pledges:
319

Median Pledge:
\$4,200

144 increased their pledge

95 remained the same

24 decreased their pledge

55 were new pledges

“I give because He asked. There are many places in scripture we can look and see how He is calling us to do this. He gives me everything. I’m grateful for that so in this tiny way I am showing my gratitude.”

- Joe Rainero

LEADERSHIP

SENIOR PASTOR & HEAD OF STAFF

Rev. Dr. Nicole Partin Abdnour

ELDERS

Christian Education

Kevin Lewis ('27)
Jon Halford ('28, Chair)
Emily Shortridge ('28)
Kathy Berry ('29)
Cate Betchman ('27)

Finance

Harry Olsen ('27, Chair)
David Smith ('27)
Brian Collie ('29)

Missions

Tracy Bishop ('28, Co-chair)
Anna Shaw (Co-chair)
Margaret Agee ('29)

Personnel

Julie Stephenson ('27)
Ann Crowder ('27)
Brandon Guest ('28, Chair)
Mike Mozingo ('29)

Policy, Planning, & Governance

Jim Deavor (Chair)
Sarah Wendell ('29)

Property & Grounds

Kyle Murrell ('27, Chair)
Randolph Tiller ('28)
Joel Heuring ('29)

Stewardship

Beverly Hutchison ('27)
Maryanne Davis ('28, Chair)
Brian Collie ('29)

Worship

Ashley Canaday Slane ('28, Chair)
Ben Black ('29)

Congregational Nominating Committee

Anne Crowder ('27, Chair)
Maryanne Davis ('28)
Joel Heuring ('29)

DEACONS

Class of 2027

Martha Cole
Chayne Dawley
Robert DuRant
Bob Gottke
Rick Grindrod
Chris Keller
Ron Magnuson
Ashley Mayer
Susan Moring
Lantie Slenzak
Michael Tschantz
Carolyn Word
Sally Lewis

Class of 2028

Ashley Cross
Pat DeLizza
Lauren Haney
Scott Hanling
Meredith Jewell
Emily Judy
Amanda Leard
Katie Lucy
Will Luxhoj
Ashley Magrath
Angela Phillips
Ross Rabun

Class of 2029

Peter Barton
Christine Betchman
Maggie Broadwater
Brian Catalana
Kelly Cobb
Susan Hamner
Laura Howle
Matt Kern
Sally Lewis
Marcene Looper
Jena Nickles
Robert Query
Shelley Scruggs

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Rev. Dr. Nicole Partin Abdnour
Brian Collie
Maryanne Davis (Chair)

Beverly Hutchison
Robert C. Gottke
Trey Lucy

Kensy Rabun
Julia Royall



There is a place at the table for every age!

This year, we're including our children and youth in stewardship, inviting them to think about the ways they can pray, grow, serve and give.

STEWARDSHIP FOR CHILDREN

PRAY...

I will pray for:

- ☐ MPPC'S Mission & Ministry
- ☐ My church family, community and world

SERVE...

I can serve by:

- ☐ Singing in the Children's Choir
- ☐ Being an acolyte or water bearer
- ☐ Ushering with my family
- ☐ Lay reading in worship
- ☐ Participating in mission projects

GROW...

I will grow my faith by:

- ☐ Going to Sunday School
- ☐ Participating in Worship
- ☐ Reading the Bible

GIVE...

I can give by:

- ☐ Allowance
- ☐ Birthday, Christmas or Tooth Fairy Money
- ☐ Lemonade Stand
- ☐ Car Wash



STEWARDSHIP FOR YOUTH

PRAY...

I will pray for:

- ☐ My church family
- ☐ My community and world, especially those facing hardship
- ☐ Everything and everyone

GROW...

I can grow my faith by:

- ☐ Attending worship weekly
- ☐ Coming to Prayer Breakfast
- ☐ Attending Sunday School
- ☐ Bringing friends to Youth Group
- ☐ Being an Usher
- ☐ Being a Lay Reader
- ☐ Doing Daily Devotions

SERVE...

I can serve by:

- ☐ Participating in local mission work
- ☐ Helping cook for Breakfast Church
- ☐ Helping with Kid's Praise/Nursery
- ☐ Going on mission trips
- ☐ Volunteering in the community

GIVE...

What can I give?

- ☐ Allowance
- ☐ A percentage of your paycheck
- ☐ Petsitting money
- ☐ Babysitting money
- ☐ Artistic gifts
- ☐ Musical talent
- ☐ My time

GUIDE TO GIVING

Q: What is a pledge?

A: A pledge is simply a promise. When the church invites you to make a financial pledge during the Annual Giving Campaign, we are asking you to share your intentions for supporting the ministry of the church in the coming year.

Q: Does pledging make a difference? Can't I just give as I'm able?

A: Every gift matters and is received with deep gratitude. Pledging, however, helps church leaders plan for the year ahead. Like any organization, the church prepares a budget, and pledges provide the framework for that budget. They allow us to sustain our ongoing ministries while also opening the door to new opportunities for mission and growth.

Q: How much should I pledge?

A: The amount is a personal decision between you and God. Some people give a percentage of their income (such as a tithe, or 10%), while others commit to a regular weekly or monthly amount. We encourage you to consider your pledge prayerfully, in light of God's blessings in your life, and to give in a way that is both faithful and joyful.

Q: What if my financial situation changes after I make a pledge?

A: Pledges are not binding contracts. They are intentions, made in faith. If your circumstances change, you can adjust your pledge at any time by contacting the church finance office.

Q: Do I have to be a member to pledge?

A: No. Many friends of the congregation who are not formal members still make pledges. Anyone who feels connected to the mission and ministry of the church is welcome to support it through pledging.

Q: How is my pledge used?

A: Your pledge supports everything the church does — worship, music, children and youth programs, pastoral care, mission and outreach, adult faith formation, staff support, building upkeep, and more. Every dollar pledged is an investment in the life and mission of the church.

Q: Can I set up automatic giving?

A: Yes! Many people find that setting up automatic payments through their bank or the church's online giving platform helps them fulfill their pledge consistently and easily.

Q: Is my pledge confidential?

A: Yes. Pledge records are kept confidential and are only seen by the church's financial staff.

Q: Who do I contact if I have more questions about my pledge?

A: Start by reaching out to Director of Church Business Administration, Roxanne Glover at rglover@mppc.net or (843)884-4612.



COME TO THE TABLE, PULL UP A CHAIR

The table is set, and God has prepared a place for each of us.

This year we invite everyone to pull up a chair and experience the grace, nourishment, and belonging that God so generously offers.

OUR GOAL: 100 NEW PLEDGES

Alongside our visionary budget goal of \$2.86 million, our Stewardship Committee has set a goal of 100 new pledges for 2027.

***If you have not pledged before, this is your invitation to be one of the 100!
If you have pledged previously, please renew your commitments
or increase them if you feel called to do so.***

How To Pledge:

Submit your pledge by visiting [**onrealm.org/mppc/AddPledge/2027**](https://onrealm.org/mppc/AddPledge/2027), scanning the QR code or filling out a physical pledge card.

You can also: mail the card to *Mount Pleasant Presbyterian Church, Attn: Roxanne Glover, 302 Hibben St Mount Pleasant, SC 29464*, drop it off at the church during office hours or place in the offering plate on Sunday mornings.





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