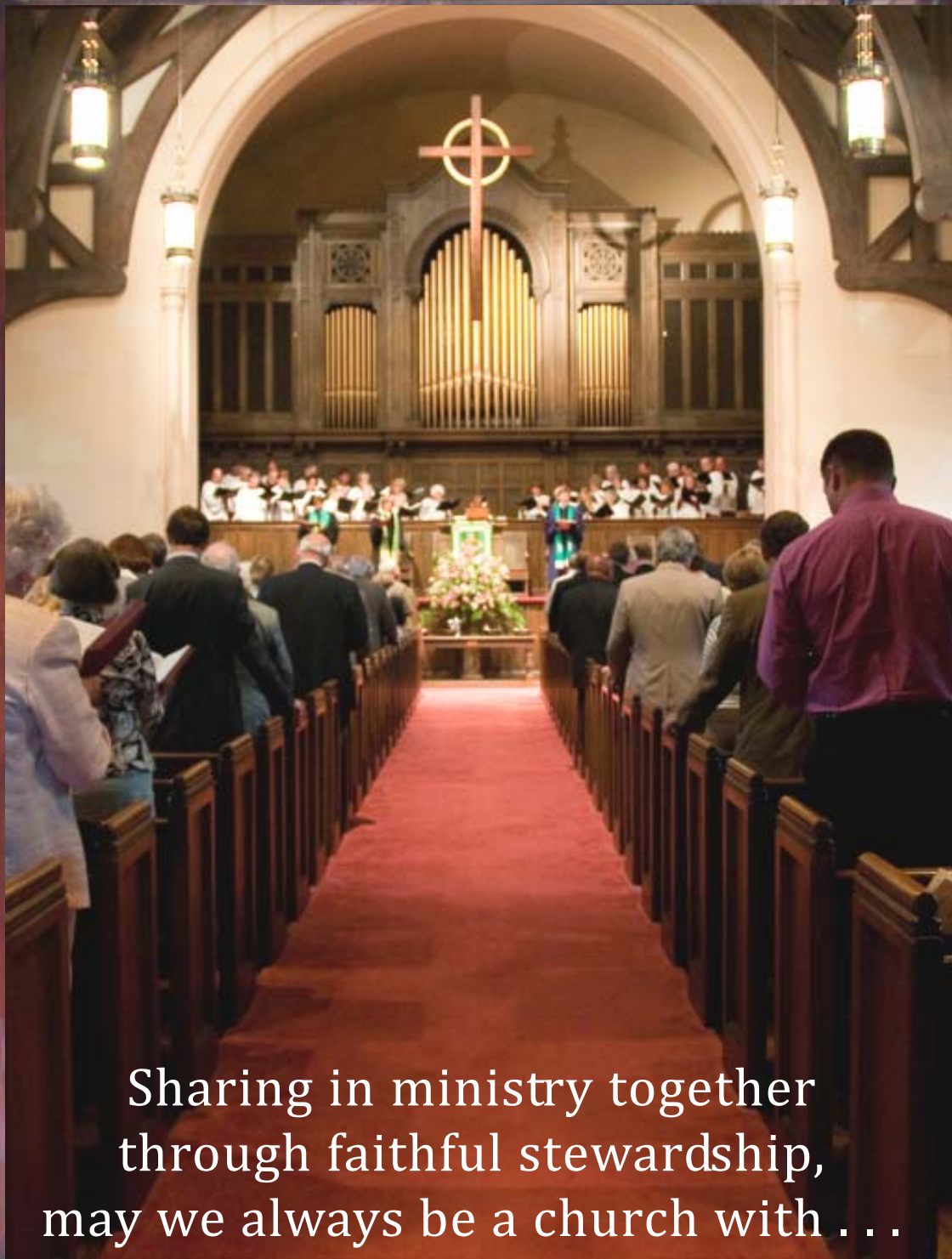


FIRST PRESBYTERIAN



STEWARDSHIP 2010

*Jesus called his disciples to serve him saying,
"I have set before you an open door
that no one can close" Revelation 3:8*



Sharing in ministry together
through faithful stewardship,
may we always be a church with . . .

DOORS OPEN WIDE

YOUR GIFTS IN 2010 WILL OPEN DOORS FOR:

Ministry Area	<u>Change from 2009</u>
Worship	\$950
<i>Sanctuary Guild, supplies</i>	
Music	\$10,500
<i>Montreat Music Conference for Youth (restored from 2008), First Steps for Infants, and Choir Robe Fund</i>	
Discipleship	No Change
Youth	No Change
Youth Mission	(\$10,000)
<i>National Youth Mission in 2010 in lieu of previously-scheduled International Mission</i>	
Mission	\$20,000
<i>Presbyterian College Celtic Cross Endowment</i>	
Administration	
Personnel	\$149,889
<i>Return to 2006-2008 Staffing with Associate Pastor of Education and Discipleship, Mission Director, Children's Ministry Director; Cost of Living and Merit Increase; Additional Staff for Nursery and Family Life Center</i>	
Office/Various	\$61,179
<i>Office Equipment Contracts (restored from 2008), Operational Charges (bank, stock fees, etc.)</i>	
Facilities/Insurance	\$49,400
<i>Utility Increase, Equipment, Maintenance, and Maintenance Contracts</i>	
Communications	\$3,970
<i>Publicity</i>	
Total Administration	\$264,438
Diaconate	
Life Events	(\$545)
<i>Bereavement Committee (new)</i>	
Fellowship	\$5,422
<i>Meal Expenses</i>	
Member Development	\$2,700
<i>Greeters, Welcome Class</i>	
Total Diaconate	\$7,577
Total Increase	\$293,465

PROPOSED 2010 BUDGET SUMMARY

This proposed 2010 budget represents a 9.99% increase (\$293,465) over 2009.

Details of every line item are available from the Church Financial Officer, Lynise Clarke (lclarke@fpcspartanburg.org / 208-2130).

Ministry Area	<u>Proposed 2010 Budget</u>
Worship	\$4,200
Music	\$41,638
Discipleship	\$30,900
Youth	\$73,790
Mission	\$595,000
Administration	
Personnel	\$1,856,744
Office/Various	\$179,000
Facilities/Insurance	\$377,300
Communications	\$43,470
Total Administration	\$2,456,514
Diaconate	
Life Events	\$7,155
Fellowship	\$17,200
Member Development	\$5,300
Total Diaconate	\$29,655
TOTAL PROPOSED 2010	\$3,231,697
2009 Budget	\$2,938,232
2008 Budget	\$3,012,727

'State of the Church' Address

Dr. David Renwick

November 4, 6:30-7:15pm

Stewardship Sunday

Pledge Commitment Day

November 8, 2009

Faithful and generous pledges are the fundamental guide the Session uses to determine the final 2010 budget. Your timely commitment will help our church fulfill our mission as we move into the coming year.

Thank you for sharing in a ministry that for 166 years has opened doors in Spartanburg and the world. Your commitment through pledging matters!

Bring the full tithe into the storehouse . . . see if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you an overflowing blessing.
- Malachi 3:10

"I believe my life is a gift from God and I give back out of gratitude and, I hope, with generosity."
- Lynda Moore

"Giving is a joy, especially since I realize the money I give is used well. Our church serves so many . . . through programs such as SPIHN, Habitat homes, Mobile Meals, Stephen Ministry, Winter Warmth"
-Joella Utley

"Our support is given with the firm conviction that our church makes a difference in the lives of people in our community and throughout the world."
- Tim Cleveland

Listen! I am standing at the door, knocking; if you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to you.
-Revelation 3:20

"FPC has opened the doors of fellowship in my life. I believe in the mission of the church, locally and globally."
- Cooper Cecil

"FPC opens doors for our members to serve and use their God-given gifts, whether it be working with children, singing, teaching, participating in missions, visiting, preparing meals, and the list goes on and on."
- Betty Walpole

In return, open wide your hearts also.
- 2 Corinthians 6:13

"The condition of our lives grows out of the condition of our hearts. God's storehouse of resources is unlimited to us, using ordinary people in ordinary circumstances to produce extraordinary results."
- Linda West

"I give to the church because all that I am and all that I have belongs to God."
- Betty Williams

LEADERSHIP THROUGH STEWARDSHIP

OUR HEARTS
OPEN WIDE

Pray that God will open to us a door for the word, that we may declare the mystery of Christ.
- Colossians 4:3

"Watching FPC open doors of faith for the Youth to find Christ through word and deed is awesome!"
- Libby Adamson

"I feel God's presence in our church."
- Jimmy Trout

"FPC opens doors for me to grow in my own spirituality (Sunday school, worship, Bible studies, fellowship...) and to do God's work serving in our congregation and the community."
-Ali Beeson

Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.
- Psalms 118:19

"FPC is a community of caring people who help me to be a better person. I feel blessed to be part of such a family of believers!"
-Martha Bean

"First Pres opens the door of understanding and compassion in others by encouraging and supporting so many different mission efforts."
- Ken Darr

"FPC nurtured our children in faith as they grew up - we celebrated two of their weddings; we baptized five of our grandchildren. This is where I worship God; it is where I go to learn more of Him, and it is where I find comfort in this beautiful faith community."
- Jennifer Biber