

FAITHFUL STEPS

MOVING FORWARD TOGETHER

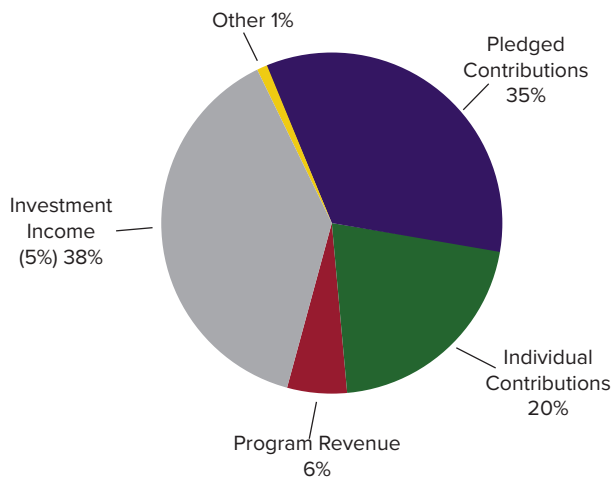
2027 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN | Fourth Presbyterian Church and Chicago Lights

Every day at Fourth Presbyterian Church and Chicago Lights, faithful steps become shared ministry as we worship, pray, serve, and love our neighbors, sustained by the generosity of thousands who have walked this journey across generations.

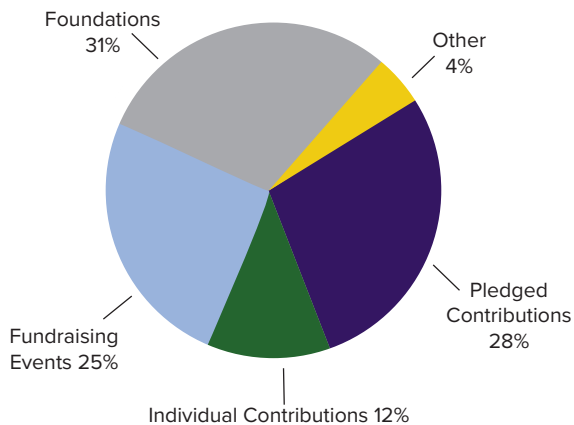
HOW MINISTRY IS FUNDED

Every generation of Fourth Church has received the gifts of those who came before and helped carry this ministry forward. Today, pledged contributions remain a large source of annual revenue for both Fourth Presbyterian Church and Chicago Lights.

Fourth Presbyterian Church Revenue



Chicago Lights Revenue



Revenue data based on the 2026 Budget. Fourth Church "other" revenue includes affiliate rent. Chicago Lights "other" revenue includes program revenue and investment income.

WHY PLEDGING MATTERS

Every gift makes a difference. A pledge adds intention and predictability, helping Fourth Church and Chicago Lights plan responsibly for the ministry we share.

Your pledge is one faithful step that helps carry this ministry forward.

Fourth Presbyterian Church includes 3,226 members representing 2,293 households as of January 1, 2026.

As of July 1, 2026, 845 households pledged to the 2026 Stewardship Campaign – representing approximately 32% of member households.

Every household's faithful step will look different. It may be making a first pledge, turning regular giving into an annual commitment, maintaining a longtime pledge, or prayerfully growing in generosity.

Your faithful step is yours to discern, shaped by prayer, gratitude, and where God is leading you.

Many Faithful Steps. One Shared Community.

In 2026, our congregation's faithful steps included:

2026 Pledging at a Glance

	Amount Pledged	No. of Households
Fourth Church	\$3,382,805	835
Chicago Lights	\$909,879	431
Total	\$4,292,684	845

Increased pledge	46%	Maintained pledge	26%
First-time pledge	8%	Decreased pledge	7%
Returning lapsed pledger	13%		

Some households made multiple pledges, and 106 pledges (13% of total) were made by non-members.

2026 Pledge Levels

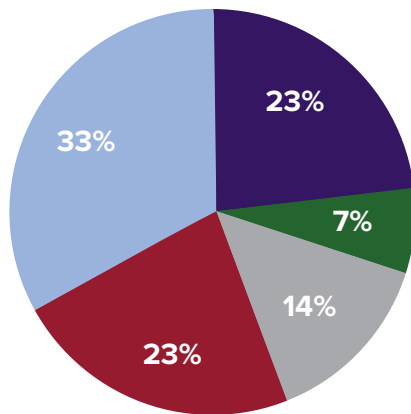
Pledges of every size come together to make our shared ministry possible.

\$10,000+	13%	Average pledge: \$5,000
\$5,000-\$9,999	16%	Median pledge: \$2,000
\$2,500-\$4,999	17%	
\$1,000-\$2,499	27%	
\$1-\$999	28%	

YOUR GENEROSITY IN ACTION: HOW OUR SHARED GIFTS BECOME MINISTRY

Every pledge joins with the gifts of others to support worship, care, formation, service, outreach, and community throughout the year.

Fourth Presbyterian Church



Figures based on the 2026 Annual Budget. Staff and expenses are allocated across the ministries on a prorated basis. *Percentages may not total 100% due to rounding.

Worship & Music (23%) - *We gather.*

Worship, preaching, prayer, music, sacraments, weddings, memorials, and pastoral care.

Education & Discipleship (7%) - *We grow.*

Christian education, Bible study, small groups, spiritual formation, and ministries for children, youth, and adults.

Mission & Service (14%) - *We serve.*

Local, national, and global partnerships put faith into action through compassion, justice, reconciliation, and hope.

Facilities (23%) - *We make room.*

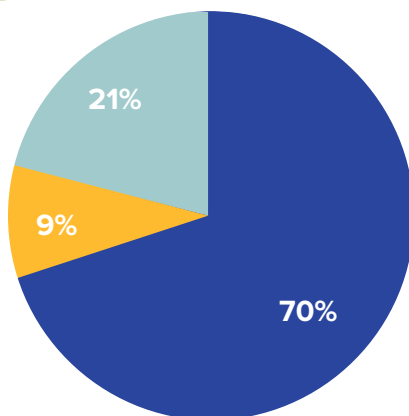
Our historic campus provides welcoming spaces for worship, learning, care, community, music, meals, and service.

Administration (33%) - *We sustain the work.*

Staff, technology, communications, finance, development, and operations provide the foundation that makes ministry possible.



Chicago Lights



Chicago Lights is a separate 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization with a separate budget. Fourth Church supports Chicago Lights through shared volunteers, donors, and the in-kind provision of professional services, resources, and space in the Gratz Center. Chicago Lights figures based on the 2026 Annual Budget. Staff and expenses are allocated across the programs on a prorated basis. *Percentages may not total 100% due to rounding.

Outreach Programs (70%)

Tutoring - Students are paired with tutor/mentors during the school year, helping to build confidence and lasting relationships with a caring adult.

Urban Farm - Neighbors can access fresh produce while youth and community members learn and connect through hands-on experiences.

Summer Day - The six-week program of enrichment classes for rising 1st through 8th graders broadens their horizons to explore new possibilities for their futures.

Chicago Lights Social Service Center - The SSC provides personalized support and case management services to help people in need take meaningful steps toward stability.

Management & General (9%)

Provides the staffing, systems, accountability, and infrastructure that support effective community outreach.

Fundraising (21%)

Fundraising expenses support the relationships, communications, events, and donor engagement that make Chicago Lights' programs possible.

WHERE IS GOD INVITING YOU TO TAKE YOUR NEXT FAITHFUL STEP?

Faithfulness looks different for each of us. Your next step may be to pray, worship, find community, serve, make your first pledge, or grow in generosity.

Make your 2027 pledge by Commitment Sunday, November 8, 2026.

