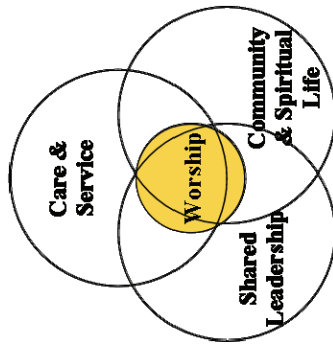


ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH ♦ ANNUAL COMMITMENT FOR 2010

The ministry we share comes out of our common experience of worship, which is the basis of who we are and what we're about as the Body of Christ at this time and in this place. Within the three spheres of *Care & Service, Shared Leadership, and Community & Spiritual Life* are all the particular programs and ministry teams that are an essential part of our vital parish life.

How do you see yourself helping the good work at St. John's in terms of your own commitment of *time & talent*? Celebrate your commitment by letting us know your interests: (*either to learn about, begin, or continue doing*)

<p>Care & Service</p> <p>___ Parish Visitor</p> <p>___ Card Ministry</p> <p>___ Community Relations</p> <p>___ Eucharistic Visitor</p> <p>___ Good Samaritan</p> <p>___ Outreach Bag Lunches</p> <p>___ Outreach Projects</p> <p>___ Other: _____</p>	<p>Shared Leadership</p> <p>___ Buildings & Grounds</p> <p>___ Finance Team</p> <p>___ Garden Group</p> <p>___ Office Volunteer</p> <p>___ Special Project helper</p> <p>___ Diocesan Projects</p> <p>___ Vestry</p> <p>___ Other: _____</p>	<p>Community & Spiritual Life</p> <p>___ Fellowship Events helper</p> <p>___ Learning to pray</p> <p>___ Book Study Group</p> <p>___ Church School helper</p> <p>___ Nursery helper</p> <p>___ Sunday Coffee Hour Host</p> <p>___ Greeter/Usher/Hospitality</p> <p>___ Other: _____</p>
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You can help keep St. John's turning around...

We have made great progress in turning around our programs, ministry and finances. With the Annual Budget for 2010, we will be more than two-thirds towards eliminating our recurring deficit. We are doing more than paying bills at St. Johns. **We are supporting God's ministry and you can help!** Closing the gap between income and expenses and realizing the priorities and goals of the parish will take your commitment! Consider:

Your Commitment of Time

We have opportunities for you to connect and grow that can complement a precious resource: your time!

Your Commitment of Talent

Let's celebrate together the gifts that God has blessed you with, sharing them with our wider community and living out our Baptismal Covenant to "seek and serve Christ in all persons."

Your Commitment of Treasure

"Let us with gladness present offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord." The simple truth is that your annual pledge and commitment is what can make the ministry offer continue to be shared and help bring hope to so many as we continue to make a difference for Saginaw and beyond!



ANNUAL GIVING 2010

Celebrating Our Commitments to
 Care, Share, Worship, Celebrate, & Love!

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH ♦ ANNUAL PARISH COMMITMENT FOR 2010

With a grateful heart for God's boundless generosity, and as an expression of my Christian stewardship, I make this commitment to St. John's Church and the ministry of this congregation for 2010.

I/we wish to help keep continuing the turn-around that is happening at St. John's by increasing my/our Annual Pledge for 2010 pledge by 10% (or more), Please have the parish contact me for the total.

I/we wish to pledge a total of \$ _____ for 2010, to be paid:

Annually Quarterly Monthly Weekly
(optional) Please have the priest / warden (circle one) contact me.

Name _____

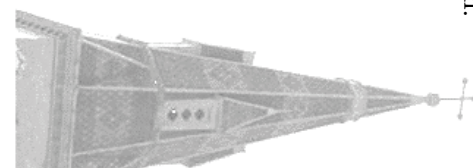
Address _____

Phone _____ Email address _____

I understand that I may adjust my pledge at any time by contacting the church office.

I/we have already made provisions to include St. John's in my/our will or estate planning.

I would like to better understand how to establish a will or an estate plan. Please contact me.



ST. JOHN'S IS CONTINUING TO TURN AROUND...

Budget-At-a-Glance Comparisons	2008 Budget	2009 Budget	2010 Budget
Income			
Plate Contributions	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$7,500
Member Pledges	\$215,000	\$200,000	\$200,000
Investment Income	\$57,500	\$57,500	\$57,500
Other Income	\$13,000	\$27,000	\$25,500
Total Income	\$293,000	\$292,000	\$287,000
Expenses:			
Outreach	\$47,900	\$36,388	\$30,894
Program & Clergy	\$166,428	\$157,230	\$138,640
Administration & Support	\$126,032	\$108,893	\$97,428
Buildings & Grounds	\$72,000	\$69,473	\$69,800
Total Expenses	\$412,360	\$371,984	\$336,763
Surplus or (Deficit)	(\$119,360)	(\$79,984)	(\$49,763)

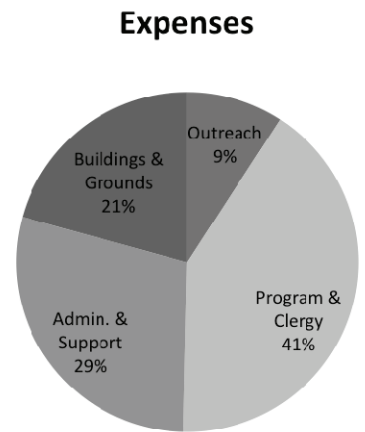
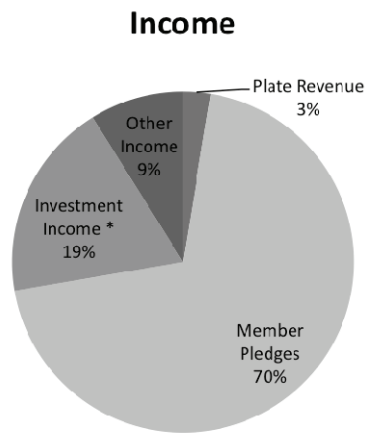
Continuing to reduce our deficit!

In the Budget for 2010, provisions have been made which will enable our recurring deficit to be reduced by an additional 38% from last year (over 68% of its amount in 2006). While this is, indeed, good news, this coming year will see changes at all levels in order to meet our fiscal objectives. Already we know that these next two years will call for the creativity, commitment and bold initiatives of all of us!

Frankly speaking, as much as we have been able to restructure and reduce costs overall, the remaining difference will not be met by expense cuts alone. What is clear is that any further reduction of expenses will affect the overall viability of our ministry.

We need to close that gap but we need to do it for the right reasons. We are doing more than paying bills at St. Johns. **We are supporting God's ministry.** Talking about money is not an easy topic to discuss, but we are asking that we all examine our priorities through prayer and careful consideration. We need to reflect on where we put God in our lives and share our resources of time, talent, and treasure, accordingly. **How is God asking you to support St. John's?**

St. John's is a church called to care, share, worship, celebrate, and love.



For more complete information about the budget visit our website at:
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How is God calling you to support our mission?