

2021 OPERATING BUDGET CAMPAIGN



Thank you for your ongoing support of New Hope Presbyterian Church. Your gifts of time, talent and offerings truly make a significant difference as we share God's love with our church and community. As we begin thinking about our Operating Budget Campaign 2021, let us consider this year's theme, "Standing Strong Through the Storm". It was selected to remind us to pause and reflect on the many ways God has sustained and even strengthened us during the pandemic. Our theme, hopefully, will help us see how our gifts support God's work in our

church. As you read this brochure, please reflect on what New Hope means to you. By considering this, may we all be encouraged to give generously through our time, talent and offerings to keep New Hope "Standing Strong Through the Storm."

Blessings,

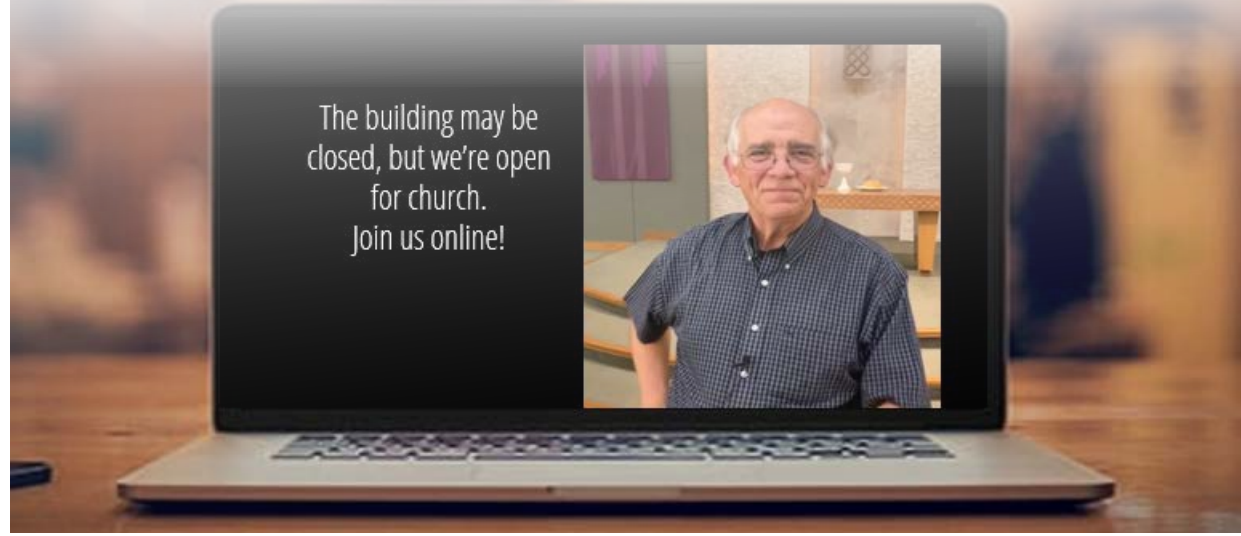
The Board of Stewards

Dave DeFore
Russ Kane
Jeff Mantz

Daron Phay
Donna Scott

Skip Thurnauer
James Walker

Live Streaming Church Online



Tim and Colleen Williams

"New Hope's Neighbor Care has been a true blessing to us. Not just as a couple dispersing information and offering help if needed, but because NeighborCare kept "us" connected during this time of isolation and quarantine. NeighborCare reinforced our inherent need to be with people, friends and neighbors. As captains, "we" got more out of NeighborCare than we ever thought possible."



Dave and Victoria Arnett

"Being part of New Hope Neighbor Care has been a blessing to me. I've made and grown new relationships that are wonderful. And I've had the privilege of working with amazing teams of folks and seen truly what the church does when it is at its best – being God's love, warmth and helping hands." – Dave

"Neighbor Care, as well as many other ministry groups at NHP, has shown to be a "living out" of our New Hope motto, "Find a home, build a life, make a difference." – Victoria

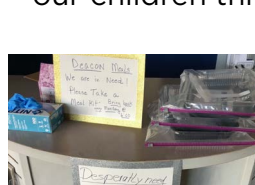
2020 MINISTRY IN ACTION

† **Neighbor Care Connection** involves volunteers contacting New Hope folks in their neighborhoods to provide a warm, caring, comfortable, and safe connection to the church. (60+ captains, 17 neighborhoods, and 500 households).

† **Online worship** is vibrant and meaningful and shows an increase of attendees by 30%.

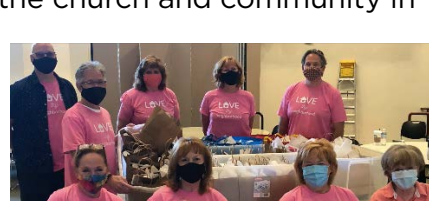
† **Park and Chat** Two of these early COVID social connections were held in June and July.

† **VBS** was a new and great experience teaching the Bible to our children through Zoom.



† **Collection for Deacon Meals** involved the Deacon's requesting meals and congregants preparing and delivering the food to those in the church and community in need.

† **Hands of Hope** took place during COVID and greatly helped our community.



2020 OPERATING BUDGET CAMPAIGN PRAYER

Father,
Here we are, Lord, come before you to praise your name and to thank you for the countless blessings that you pour out upon us. We thank you especially, Father, for the privilege of being part of your family at New Hope, for being able to participate in all that the church offers to its people and others in this community and beyond. You have told us to feed the poor and care for the needy. We know that the needs of people go beyond the physical needs for food and shelter. There are so many ways in which we can be of service to others. We know that to do so we need the time, talents and offerings of your people and we need the support of all who love you in giving of their offerings, those gifts that you bestow with such love upon us. Grant us the faith, Father, and the willingness to step forward to help spread the news of your love to a hungry world. In the name of your son, Jesus. Amen

YOUR DECISION TO PLEDGE

The purpose of the *Standing Strong Through the Storm* 2021 Operating Budget Campaign is to encourage and inspire you to generously support your community of faith, our church. The decision of what you will give to our church and its ministries is one of the most important spiritual decisions you will make all year.

It's very important, then, that you first pray and discern what God would have you do regarding your pledge. We want any decision to support our church to be based in prayer.

So, *you might consider:*

How has God blessed you? What resources has God provided (and you are now managing) that you could share with our church – time, talent or offerings?

What impact for Christ can be made through your giving? Our church needs you and your gifts to serve God in our community.

Every gift, regardless of size, is important to furthering the ministry work at our church.

What is God leading you to give in terms of time and treasure? Pray for God's guidance, both for yourself and for the leaders of the church as we follow God's will. We want to grow hope this year, following God's will.

Please remember, all gifts to the *Standing Strong Through the Storm* stewardship campaign are important. Our goal is for 100% of our members and regular attendees to support this effort. We are so grateful for your generosity and support. Please pray for us as we plan and prepare for the coming ministry year.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q How much should I give?

A This is between you and God. We ask that you prayerfully consider giving at least 3-5 percent of your income to God's work at our church.

Regardless of the amount you decide to give, all gifts to *Standing Strong Through the Storm* are significant and will help us fulfill our mission to spread the love of Jesus.

Q Are there other ways I can give?

A Yes! You may want to consider giving a gift of stock, mutual fund shares or other property to fulfill your pledge. You may also realize additional tax benefits by making gifts of property. If you would like to make this type of gift, please contact Linnea Lucas at the church office at llucas@newhopepres.org or by calling (303) 660-0057.

Q When should I turn in my pledge card?

A Commitment Sunday for the *Standing Strong Through the Storm* campaign is Sunday, November 15th, 2020.

Please mail your pledge card to the church by November 12th, as status of in person services is unknown.

Q Why do I need to fill out a pledge card for the Operating Budget Campaign? I give something every week.

A Just as you make your household budget based on your income, pledges to New Hope allows New Hope to prepare an accurate budget. In turn, this allows Session and staff to make informed decisions that are fiscally responsible. Although non pledged gifts are appreciated, they do not allow New Hope to do its best planning.

Q How will my pledge or gift be used at New Hope?

A Without your support, New Hope would not exist. It is sustained by regular gifts, offerings and tithes which provide for our ministries. These funds are used for the day-to-day operation of the church including salaries, utilities and maintenance.

Q What happens if, because of unforeseen circumstances such as health or job issues, I am unable to continue fulfilling my pledge?

A The commitment card is not a contract. It is an agreement between you and God. We are certainly aware that unanticipated obstacles occur that may affect how a person fulfills their commitment. If this happens, please contact Linnea Lucas in the church office.

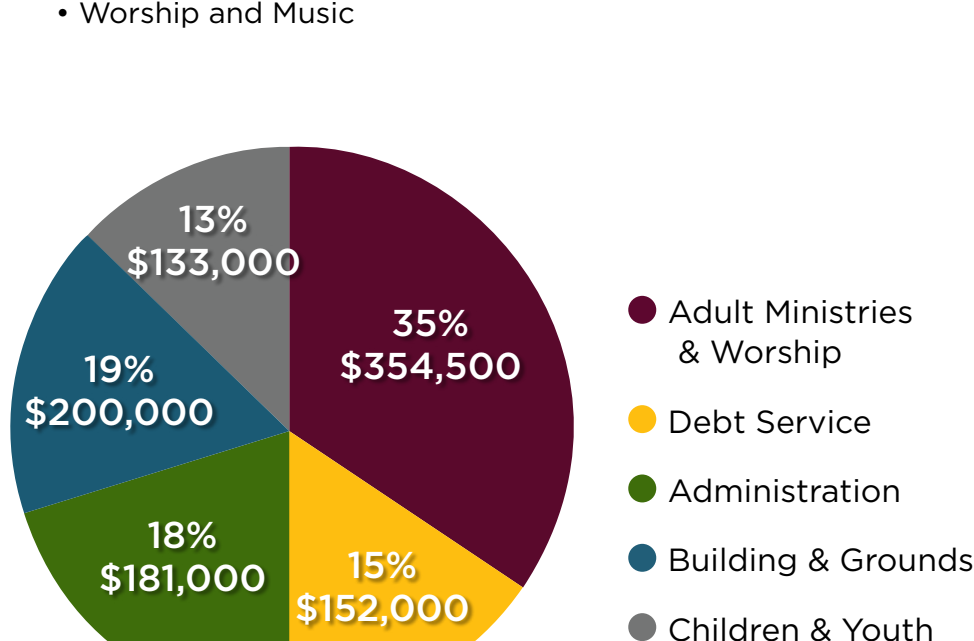
THE IMPACT OF YOUR PLEDGE

New Hope Finances at a Glance



We strive to use your tithes and offerings to faithfully share the love of Jesus Christ in the coming year at New Hope Presbyterian Church. Some of your gifts go directly to ministry; other gifts support our personnel and facilities that also provide a variety of ministries.

The following pie chart shows how their work, our facilities and your gifts are allocated. Please pray for our church to impact lives as we direct the funds you give.



COMMITMENT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15TH, 2020

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