

What Our Staff Delivers Week after Week

Sunday after Sunday, I come to GCPC to be encouraged, enlightened, and challenged by and with fellow travelers. I am constantly amazed by the creative, energetic worship services that our staff creates week in and week out. Designed to invite us into a deeper relationship with God, with one another and with the world around us, I am filled and ready to face the world again, to be an encourager in my day-to-day life. Thanks be to God and to our extraordinary staff!

Staff efforts expand weekly beyond our church family to our neighbors and ministry partners and community. They work with and for us to bear witness to faithful work for justice and community action. Effective leadership by talented staff who understand work as ministry is a sacred thing to be appreciated as well as financially supported.

Staff costs represent a sizable percentage of the 2019 budget. GCPC is committed to paying staff a fair wage with reasonable benefits. Here's a partial list of what we get as a result, with every cent of this expenditure going to direct ministry:

Pastoral care;

Visioning and building partnerships in our community;

Leading programming that helps us all learn and grow and be more faithful followers of Jesus;

Sacred and inspiring music;

Worship preparation that leads to prophetic and challenging preaching;

Assuring that this is a trustworthy place to bring your children to grow in their faith;

Assuring that this building is a place that is welcoming, clean, and in working order;

Responding to crises as well as planning ahead for the long haul;

Managing our finances in cooperation with the Finance Committee;

Keeping us informed regarding congregational news, service opportunities, and community news/concerns;

Challenging us to grow and to be transformed by God's call to justice, to mercy, and to love;

Cultivating leadership among so that we are all ministers together;

Loving us and caring for us in life's hardest times as well as celebrating with us in life's happiest times.

Meeting our 2019 Stewardship campaign goal of \$1,020,000 in pledged funds will enable these ministries to continue uninterrupted. Not meeting our goal will impact the staff members who work for our good and for that of our community.

Join me in inviting God into the conversation about what financial faithfulness looks like among the people of God.

~ Nancy Gaskin