

## **Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church**

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Dear Grace Covenant Community,

November 4, 2024

We had a different letter written inviting you into the 2025 stewardship campaign. As the impact of Hurricane Helene has redirected our congregational activity into direct support to the most vulnerable in our community, so has our invitation into stewardship season shifted to a more urgent call: *support Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church by making your annual pledge by November 30*.

Your 2025 pledge is a commitment to the vitality and future of our church. We hope you will engage in the spiritual act of pledging, which centers us in gratitude and is a response of hope for the faithful life we want to live together. While our activities have shifted into rent and utility support for hundreds of families, a supply center open seven days a week, and serving daily meals at Asheville Terrace, our call remains the same: to live into a faith of liberation for all.

Our stewardship campaign goal is \$1,000,000, which is a 32% increase over last year's pledges of \$755,307. We share the reality of this high number with you in an act of faith, believing that our community can step into supporting the costs that it takes to maintain our current level of programming and community support. Any donations to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund that have come in post-storm are going directly to recovery efforts; your pledge is important to support the ongoing budget of Grace Covenant.

<u>We are asking you to pledge by November 30.</u> Stewardship season usually lasts months and takes quite a lot of energy in encouraging and reminding our congregation to pledge. To allow staff and congregants to stay focused on our mutual direct aid, <u>one of the greatest gifts you can give to Grace Covenant at this time is to make your 2025 pledge by November 30.</u>

We are filled with deep gratitude to witness how our church has responded to the hurricane's destruction. Thank you for being a part of our community,

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## **How to Make Your 2025 Pledge**

- Scan the QR code for a link to the online Pledge Card
- Click here: <a href="https://onrealm.org/gcpcusa/-/form/pledge/2025generalfund">https://onrealm.org/gcpcusa/-/form/pledge/2025generalfund</a>
- Email your pledge and giving frequency to giving@gcpcusa.org
- Call Brett at the church office at 828-254-3274, ext 202
- **Visit** Brett in the Finance Office at GCPC Tuesday-Thursday 10am-4pm.



