

Christian Education \$255,378

Through Christian nurture, each one of us grows in our knowledge of what it means to be the people of God in our world. We provide education for all ages at the education hour. A nursery is available for babies and toddlers up to age 2. Weekly youth group gatherings encourage teenagers to spend time together here.

Adult study and reflection happens throughout the year through Bible study, speakers' series, women's spirituality gatherings and men's breakfasts. In our adult gatherings, we seek to keep present the mystery of God's presence in our lives as we explore, question and talk together. There are special classes throughout the year for adults who want to become members, reaffirming their baptismal vows; for parents who want to have their children baptized, and for teenagers who want to re-affirm their baptismal vows for themselves at this time in their lives.

This area of ministry includes:

- Church School curriculum and children and youth programming
- Bible study, speakers' series, discussion groups
- Adult membership classes
- Baptism orientation classes
- Teen confirmation classes
- Sponsorship of Scouting
- Career Ministry



VBS Service Squad

Children & Youth \$261,644

Children, from infancy to young adulthood, are a very important part of the life of First Presbyterian Church.

Children's Ministry - Includes childcare for infants through preschoolers, special worship services for children in kindergarten through grade 2, LOGOS, various special activities for children throughout the year including Vacation Bible School, and First Presbyterian Preschool.

LOGOS - Our mid-week ministry for young people in kindergarten through 8th grade designed to nurture a relationship with Jesus Christ and Christian relationships with peers and adult leaders.

Youth Sunday



Genesis - Our youth group for students grades 6-8 which includes the LOGOS program plus many additional special activities, trips, and mission projects.

Confirmation - Our youth membership preparation program for high school freshmen.

WF (Westminster Fellowship) - Our senior high youth group with activities including small groups, weekly WF, a June mission trip, retreats, fundraisers, off-site activities, and planning and implementing Youth Sunday in May.



Alive In
God's Grace

First Pres Wheaton 2011 Narrative Budget

Dear Friends:

Each year, we invite you to support the ministry and programming of our church. How much money do we spend? How do we spend it? This narrative budget offers you snapshot pictures of the five areas of our programming:

1. Worship
2. Mission & Outreach
3. Pastoral Care
4. Christian Education
5. Children & Youth

The narrative describes how we have taken our current budget of **\$1,378,686** and distributed it so that all areas of ministry and programming have financial resources supporting them. All staff, office, committee and building expenses maintain the five programming ministry areas highlighted in this pamphlet. Your giving makes it possible for us to offer faithful ministry!

Read this story! Prayerfully consider how you can respond!

*Together... We Celebrate,
Journey & Serve*

Worship
\$354,220



First Pres celebrates the strength of its worship. In worship we gather as a community of faith where we celebrate God's presence and respond to God's call to service in our world.

Our Pastors, working with our Director of Music Ministry, Coordinator of Contemporary Worship and the Worship Committee prepare the weekly worship services. We have a strong tradition of involving lay members in leadership in our worship. We offer worship each Sunday at 8:30 & 10:45 a.m. and special services at other times.

This area of ministry includes:

- Pastors & Ministry Staff leading in worship and preaching
- Choir and music
- Contemporary singers and Music
- Sunday bulletins
- Funerals
- Weddings
- Baptisms
- Special services
- Scripture readers
- Ushers and Greeters
- Worship resources
- Visual Arts
- Audio Visual & Sound
- Communion Service

Mission & Outreach
\$300,511

As a people of God, we are called to work in the world around us. We provide time and money for the work of the church beyond our church walls. This work takes place in our city, in our country and in countries all around the world. Of the mission budget, 65% is given to local and International partners and 35% is distributed to Presbyterian Missions through Presbytery or General Assembly agencies.



Mexicali Mission Trip

Mission Outreach oversees five areas of church mission work; Hands-on, Justice, Family Mission, Evangelism & Hospitality. There are many opportunities for personal involvement and financial support in mission work in this community and throughout the world through First Pres.

First Pres Supports over 40 Mission Partners.

Substantial mission giving not reflected in the mission budget is made by various groups within the membership, including Presbyterian Women, the Deacons, individual Sunday school classes, LOGOS, and ChristCare groups.

Pastoral Care
\$206.932

We offer ongoing care and support to all members and friends of our congregation. We respond to individuals in times of crisis such as illness or bereavement. We keep in touch with members who are housebound or who now live in seniors' residences and can no longer come out to church. We gather together for socials and meals together. Our ministry personnel and our volunteer visitors want to make this church a caring community where each person is able to feel the love of God being shared with one another.

This area of ministry includes visits to hospitals and seniors' residences; premarital and marital counseling; bereavement counseling; new member visits; a variety of social gatherings; newsletter distribution to all families.

This area of ministry includes:

- Stephen Ministers
- Caritas Teams
- Deacons
- Presbyterian Women
- Red Carpet
- A variety of small care groups



PW - The Doll Shoppe