St. Athanasios Stewardship Campaign – 2025 Update and 2026 Plan

Fall General Assembly November 16, 2025



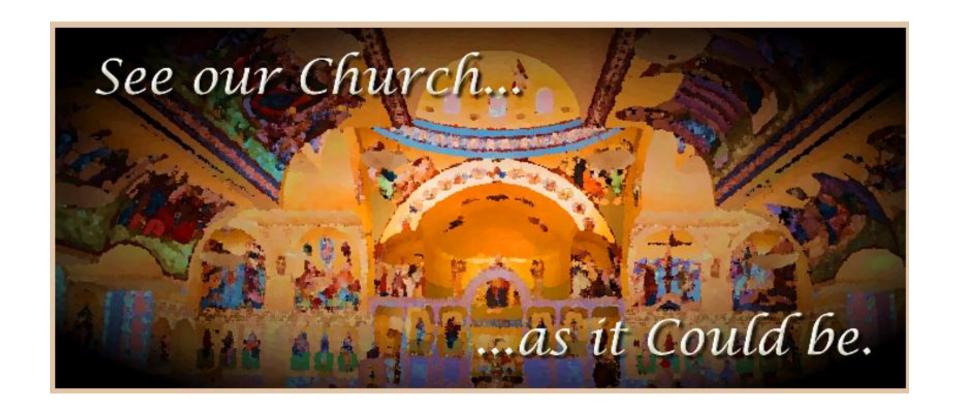
Stewardship....

Stewardship is our grateful and loving response to God's love, grace and gifts to us. It is our personal commitment to God and His Church to ensure its vitality and continuous growth by joyfully and sacrificially offering of our talents, time and treasures that we have received from Him. Stewardship puts our faith in action and demonstrates our trust in God.

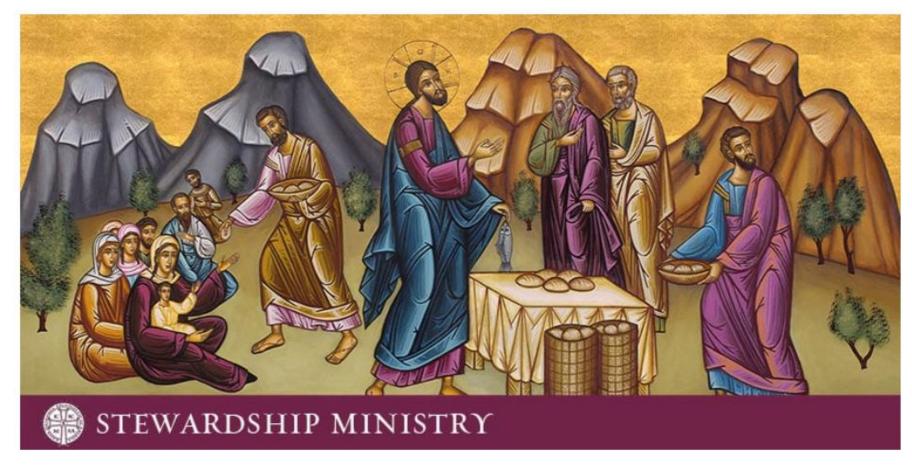


Stewardship Campaign Focus Areas

Education – Communication – Engagement – Recognition



2025 Stewardship Campaign



"Your Own from Your Own"

The theme of our latest Stewardship Resource packet is "Your Own from Your Own," from the Divine Liturgy as we offer back to God that which He has given us. He receives our humble offering of bread and wine and returns them to us as His Body and Blood in Holy Communion.

Our 2025 Treasures Stewardship – Goals

- 2025 Stewardship Goal \$408,300 ... a 15.7% or \$58,300 increase over 2024 year-end results
- This increase can be obtained by current Stewards increasing their individual Stewardship commitments and increasing the number of Stewards.



2025 Stewardship Campaign – Results

- Results (as of the end of October 2025):
 - Stewards 307
 - Pledged \$355,756 (projecting \$360,000 by year-end)
 - Collected \$307, 563
 - Average Pledge \$1,159
- Pledge Breakdown:
 - Increased Pledges 61 (average increase \$296)
 - Decreased Pledges 34 (average decrease \$517)
 - "New" Pledges 57 (average new pledge \$432)
 - No change in pledge 155 (average pledge amount \$1,293)



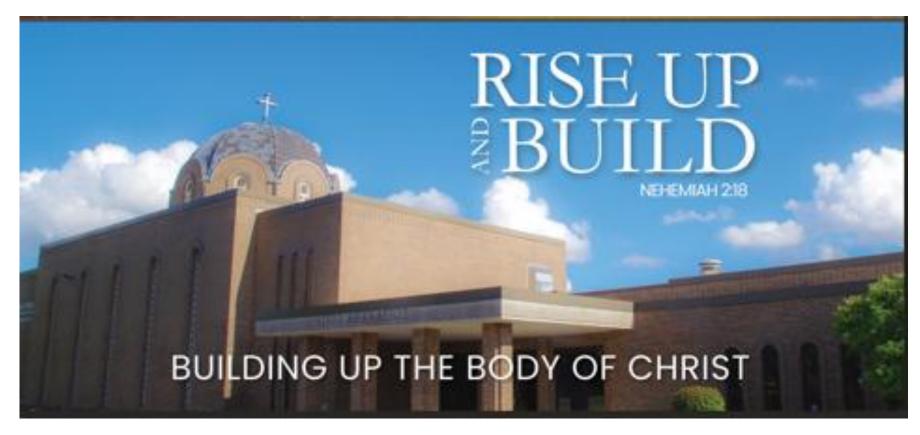
2025 Stewardship Campaign – Pledge Distribution

Amount Pledged Category	Number of Pledges	% of the Total Number of Pledges	Pledged Amount	% of the Total Amount Pledged	Average Pledge Amount
< \$500	109	36.0%	\$33,440	9.5%	\$307
\$500 – 1,000	96	31.7%	\$72,833	20.6%	\$759
\$1,000 – 2,000	59	19.5%	87,153	24.7%	\$1,477
> \$2,000	39	12.9%	159,764	45.2%	\$4,097

- 70% of the Pledges accounts for 30% of the pledged amount (<\$1,000 pledged)
- 30% of the Pledges accounts for 70% of the pledged amount (>\$1,000 pledged)



2026 Stewardship Campaign



"RISE UP AND BUILD"

"Building Up the Body of Christ," from the Old Testament Book of Nehemiah. This story and the words of Nehemiah (2:19) call us today, not just to building and rebuilding with bricks and mortar, but also to a deeper, spiritual building – the rebuilding and renewal of our faith. As Orthodox Christians, we are called to respond to God's gifts with faithful stewardship. Like Nehemiah, we are called to "rise up and build," carrying on God's work in our parish our community and in the world.

2026 Stewardship Campaign Plan

- Nov 16 Kick Off at the Fall General Assembly
- Parishioner Testimonials:
 - Sunday, November 23th: Talents by Paul Noel
 - Sunday, November 30th: Time by Tony & Kristin Standish
 - Sunday, December 7th: Treasures by George Manos
- Stewardship Forms:
 - 2026 Stewardship packets will be mailed to you in late November and will be available at Church and on-line
 - Commitments made by mid January
- Monthly updates on our progress towards our 2026 Goal



Our 2026 Treasures Stewardship Goal

- Our 2026 Stewardship Goal \$408,300
- This is a 13.4% or \$48,300 increase over the projected 2024 year-end results or <u>on average</u>
 <u>a \$150 increase per Steward</u>
- Stewardship will cover 56% of our annual operating expenses in 2026.



What does this mean to me?*

- \$500 annual pledge \rightarrow \$67 increase or \$1.29 per week
- \$1,000 annual pledge \rightarrow \$134 increase or \$2.60 per week
- \$1,250 annual pledge \rightarrow \$170 increase or \$3.22 per week
- \$2,500 annual pledge \rightarrow \$335 increase or \$6.44 per week
- \$5,000 annual pledge \rightarrow \$670 increase or \$12.89 per week
- \$10,000 annual pledge \rightarrow \$1,340 increase or \$25.77 per week



* Based on a 13.4% pledge increase in 2026 to meet our 2026 goal of \$408,300

What is our long-term Stewardship Vision?

• 2025 Stewardship forecast = 50% of operating budget

• 2026 Stewardship Plan = 56% of operating budget

Stewardship Independence = 100% of operating budget



Our Ask....

- Continue to engage by offering your Time,
 Talents and Treasures
- Connect to people and invite others to join
- Give generously ... "listen to your heart"

Thank You!!



Questions?

