

Stewardship is caring for the needs of others. Stewardship is offering one's self to God as He offered Himself to us. Stewardship is what a person does after saying "I believe..." as proof of that belief.

- Williams and McKibben in Oriented Leadership

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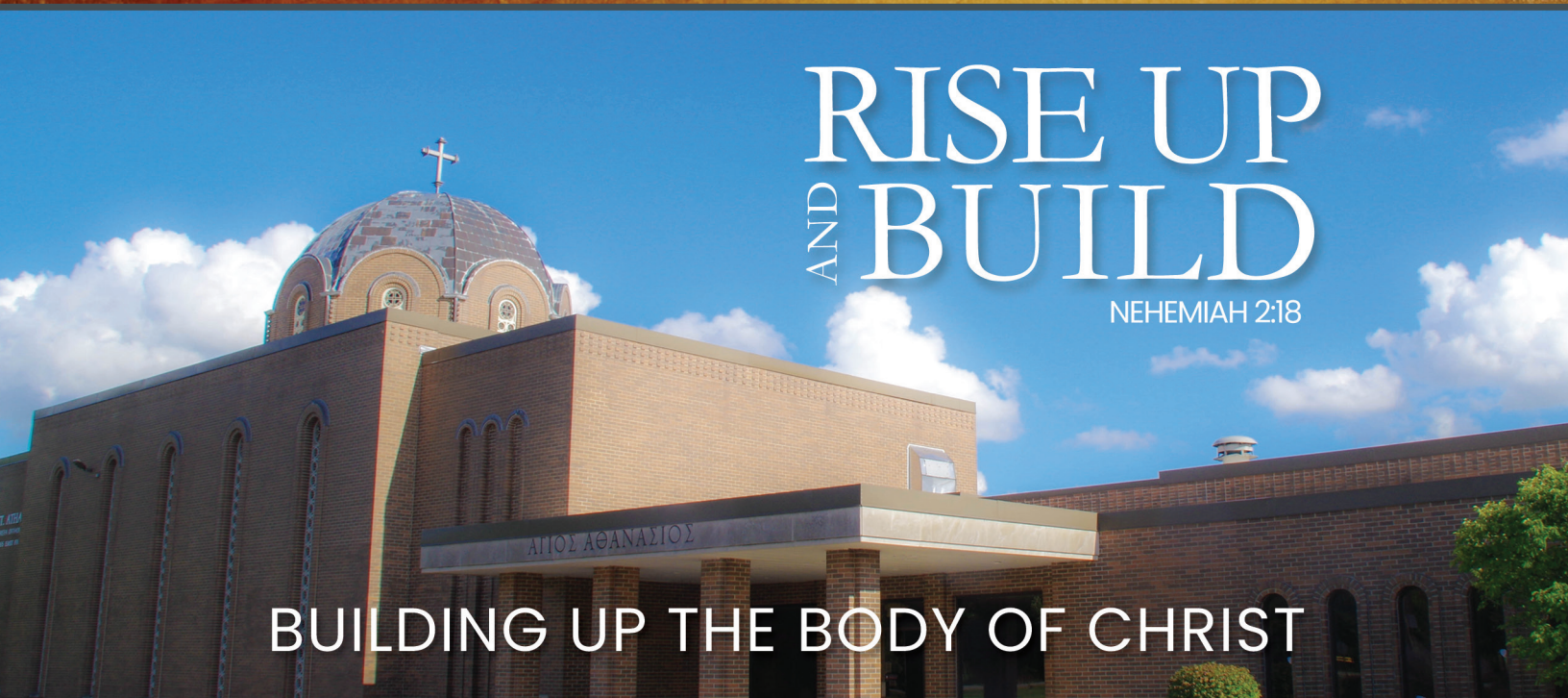
Greek Orthodox Church
SAINT ATHANASIOS



**RISE UP
AND BUILD**

NEHEMIAH 2:18

BUILDING UP THE BODY OF CHRIST



In the Book of Nehemiah, we read the words of a leader who inspired his people to tend to their future. This Prophet gathered the faithful and said, **"Let us rise up and build."** (Nehemiah 2:18) With courage and conviction, the people responded: **"So they strengthened their hands for the good work."**

Our 2026 Stewardship theme, **"Rise Up and Build,"** calls each of us to strengthen our parish through faith, generosity, and shared commitment. For generations, St. Athanasios has been built by the hands and hearts of its faithful members. Now, as we look to the future, we are called to continue this sacred work by striving toward **Stewardship Independence:** ensuring that the full operation and ministry of our parish are sustained entirely by the stewardship offerings of our faithful.

This vision is both achievable and inspiring. If, on average, each household in our parish family offered just **2-3% of their annual income** as stewardship, our community would reach complete financial independence—allowing every ministry, every act of service, and every outreach to be funded by our shared commitment to Christ and His Church.

Your stewardship is not simply a financial contribution—it is a statement of faith, a participation in the holy work of building the Body of Christ here at St. Athanasios. We invite you to reflect on how you can **rise up and build** with us in 2026.

Fr. Panagiotis

INFORMATION *(Fill In All Fields)*

Stewards Name: _____ Birthdate: _____

Email: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip _____

Spouse Name: _____ Spouse Birthdate: _____

Spouse Email: _____

Spouse Cell: _____

Children's Names and Birthdates (18 & Under):

2026 TREASURE

In gratitude for God's blessings, I/We commit to Christ and His Church the following one-year total pledge:

\$ _____

Payable

☐ Weekly ☐ Monthly ☐ Quarterly

☐ Semi-Annually ☐ Paid In Full/One-Time

METHOD OF PAYMENT

☐ Cash/Check

*Make checks payable to Saint Athanasios Church
(Memo: Stewardship)*

☐ ACH

Please provide a voided check

☐ Credit Card

*Download the Vanco App for convenient giving/or
give online through the parish website*

TIME & TALENT

In 2026, I (my family) would like to participate in the following ministries:

Fellowship & Philanthropic

- ☐ Agape
- ☐ Coffee Hour
- ☐ Food Pantry
- ☐ Hesed House
- ☐ Men's Group
- ☐ Philoptochos
- ☐ Welcome Team

Youth/ Young Adult Ministries

- ☐ JOY
- ☐ Jr. GOYA
- ☐ GOYA
- ☐ College Ministry

Events

- ☐ Aurora Greek Fest
- ☐ Golf Outing
- ☐ Fanari
- ☐ Summer Camp
- ☐ Parish Fellowship Events

Liturgical Ministries

- ☐ Altar Boys
- ☐ Chanters
- ☐ Choir
- ☐ Prospora Baking
- ☐ Usher

Communication

- ☐ Champion & Parish Mailing Fulfillment
- ☐ Marketing
- ☐ Social Media
- ☐ Website

Spiritual Formations

- ☐ Bible Study
- ☐ Book Store
- ☐ Discover Orthodoxy
- ☐ Spiritual Growth Committee (including Small Groups)
- ☐ Sunday School

Administrative

- ☐ Parish Council
- ☐ Building & Grounds
- ☐ Book Store (Sales/Stocking)
- ☐ Technology
- ☐ Office Assistance



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