

October 29, 2025

Dear Friends of Canyon Creek,

The last few months have brought unexpected challenges. Each of us have our own feelings and emotions regarding the recent changes and it will take time to process and heal. In the midst of the challenges, our congregation has proven to be resilient and has worked together to continue our mission to follow Jesus Christ by building relationships wherever we go. This resiliency and collaborative teamwork is why the 2026 Annual Giving Emphasis Team felt the Spirit moving us to the words "We are the Church!"

Giving has remained strong (and even above budget!) through September 30, 2025 thanks to your generous support. Program Staff and Members have worked together to ensure a seamless continuation of worship, community outreach, discipleship, and fellowship. Session is working hard to maintain ministries while also reflecting and discerning areas where processes could be improved. And an Interim Pastor Search Task Force is underway on finding an interim pastor. It is heartwarming to see so many people working together to live out CCPC's mission!

Program Staff, Elders, and Committee Members are working together to develop the budget for the general fund for 2026. It is projected that an increase of about \$125,000 will be needed above the 2025 operating budget to maintain the current ministries, cover the rising costs of maintaining our church building, and give staff an overdue increase – staff did not receive an increase for 2025 and prior year increases did not keep up with inflation.

Please prayerfully consider how you can support CCPC in 2026 and join us in worship on Sunday, November 16th as we bring our Giving Goal cards forward as a part of worship.

We are the church and it is with everyone's time, talents, and treasures working together that will enable us to continue to thrive! Thank you for being a part of the CCPC family.

May God be with you in this time of discernment.

2026 Annual Giving Emphasis Team

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*...built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets,
with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone;
in him the whole structure is joined together
and grows into a holy temple in the Lord...
Ephesians 2: 20-21*

