

2016 STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

The 2016 Stewardship Committee focused our campaign efforts on these primary areas and with a theme of Trust in the Promise:

1. Fulfilling all programs and services presently in place
2. Restoring college, camp, and mission support to previous budgeted levels
3. Funding the net change in costs related to the Associate Pastor

Increasing the number of pledging units

Stewardship Committee members spent significant time reaching out to congregation members regarding support for those ongoing and planned activities of the church. Response was generally positive, and with these results:

pledge cards received total \$339,645, an increase over pledged amounts in 2015

2/3 of those pledging actually contributed more than 100% of their pledged amount

1/3 of those pledging contributed less than 100% of their pledge

while new pledges were received, the total number of pledges decreased

The committee is concerned that 14 former pledges declined to do so for 2016, that some pledge amounts decreased from 2015 to 2016, and with the number of members who do not pledge their financial support of the Federated Church. Stewardship Committee members wish remind all who have yet to pledge that "if everyone does a little, no one needs to do a lot" in supporting the important programs and services of the church.

In closing and on behalf of the entire Stewardship Committee, thank you to all who have so generously pledged support for the Federated Church!

Dave Melick, Chair

Stewardship Committee