

My 2012 Gift of Time and Talent to Grace Episcopal Church

In addition to my financial giving, I would like to give my time and talents to the church in 2012

(Check all that apply and you will be contacted.)

Hospitality

- Assist with coffee hours/special events
- Serve as an usher or greeter
- Welcome and mentor visitors

Worship

- Train and serve as an acolyte
- Train and serve as a LEM or Lector
- Train and serve on the altar guild
- Join the Choir

Outreach

- Serve at the homeless shelter
- Help with seasonal outreach projects.
- Serve on the Outreach Committee

Stewardship

- Serve on the Bishop's Committee
- Help build up stewardship program
- Participate in mission talks

Christian Education

- Teach Sunday school
- Help once a month in the nursery
- Help coordinate the Christmas Pageant
- Help with Youth ministries
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Pastoral Care

- Pray regularly for the church
- Send out parish greetings
(birthday, get well, sympathy)
- Visit homebound parishioners
- Pastoral Lay Eucharistic Minister

Membership Nurture and Growth in Grace

- After worship Prayers for Healing and other individual needs
- Welcoming those new to Grace
- Follow-up with Newcomers (call or visit)

Grace LGBT Fellowship

- Young Adults Group
- Grace men's Fellowship

"[At Grace clergy and laity] are sharing ministry . . . in a way that should be spotlighted for the rest of the Church. The joy and enthusiasm I saw in the congregation truly reflected the signs of the Holy Spirit."

—The Rev. Canon Sarah Shofstall, Diocese of Western Massachusetts

"In his Sermon my friend Gene reminded us that in the Prayers of the People we pray, 'Give us all reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.' Use our resources wisely. In the Service of others. THAT is a Stewardship prayer."

From a Stewardship Sermon
Vicar Tim Vivian

"What is special about Episcopal Christianity and its witness to the Gospel Of Christ? First it is a physical place, a location, to come to know and be in God... The Episcopal Church is a habitat for Godly encounter."

Stewardship Message
Associate Vicar Vern Hill



Grace Episcopal Church Stewardship Program 2012

"Sharing in Grace, Giving in Grace"



Grace Episcopal Church Bakersfield, California

We invite you to join our inclusive community, as we deepen our awareness of the presence of Jesus Christ in us, through the Episcopal tradition of worship and service. We welcome all to share His joy and love with us, rejoicing in the transforming power of the Holy Spirit.

What does my giving support?

- ❖ Religious services and sacraments.
- ❖ The fellowship of our inclusive community of faith.
- ❖ Compensation of our Clergy, Music Director, Pianist
Youth Director, Childcare Providers.
- ❖ Christian education, including Sunday
School, Adult education, and Bible study.
- ❖ Pastoral care.
- ❖ Small group and large group meetings and
celebrations to support and grow in our faith and
fellowship as Episcopalians.
- ❖ Outreach to groups such as Habitat for Humanity, Integrity,
Heifer Project, ERD and other ministries.
- ❖ Outreach to the Community.
- ❖ Ministries, Programs, & Administration expenses
- ❖ Building & Administration costs

**What does your giving support?
Our present and our future!**

How much should I give?

"Everyone should give what they have decided in their hearts to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work."

2 Corinthians 9:7-8

Search your hearts and in prayer let the Holy Spirit guide you.

Stewardship Committee:

Elaine Berg
John Eastridge
Barb Fleming
Vern Hill, Assoc. Vicar
Robin Paggi, Chair
Tim Vivian, Vicar

Income & Disbursements 2011

Income

Committed/Pledged.....	\$60,033
Plate.....	\$ 7,055
Total	\$67,088

2011 Budget: \$91,663
2011 Actuals: \$70,098

2011 Budget: Pledges	\$84,525
2011 Actuals: Pledges	\$60,033

**2012 Budget
\$82,117**

My 2012 Financial Gift to Grace Episcopal Church

*Please fill out the form **COMPLETELY** and put in the collection plate at church or mail to Marilyn Metzgar: 128 New Towne Street, 93312, by **Sunday, January 22***

I/we pledge to give as follows (*please tear or cut at fold to submit*):

PLEDGE AMOUNT (*please choose **only one** of these payment options*)

Weekly \$ _____

Monthly \$ _____

Quarterly \$ _____

Annually \$ _____

TOTAL PLEDGE FOR 2011 \$ _____

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

_____ This is an individual pledge.

_____ This is a combined pledge.

_____ I/We pledge an additional \$ _____ for _____

_____ I/We have included Grace in my/our estate planning.

All pledges are confidential and all pledges paid are tax deductible.