

## FINANCIAL NEWS

We hope that this monthly report will help you stay abreast of how we are doing at achieving a fully funded budget. We are committed to providing accurate and up to date information. Please direct any questions or suggestions regarding this report to Senior Pastor, Jay Vetter.

### SEPTEMBER 2008 FINANCIAL REPORT Trinity United Methodist Church Operating Budget

	August 31, 2008 Balance	(\$17,073.79)			
			September 2008	2008 YTD	2008 Budget
<b>INCOME</b>					
Tithes & Offerings			\$47,710.51	\$ 433,301.50	\$658,462
Missions			149.00	5,989.79	25,000
Housing Endowment			800.00	7,200.00	9,600
Other Income			<u>545.23</u>	<u>6,004.55</u>	<u>5,500</u>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>			<b>\$49,204.74</b>	<b>\$ 452,495.84</b>	<b>\$698,562</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>					
Apportionments			\$ 11,449.35	\$ 103,044.15	\$139,878
Church Programs			2,661.97	11,642.07	17,660
Worship & Music			(827.06)	451.73	4,300
Finance/Administration			1,823.29	23,082.98	34,200
Property/Utilities			6,739.09	59,127.40	89,442
Personnel - Clergy			15,773.50	145,581.03	194,131
Personnel - Lay			<u>15,479.75</u>	<u>138,091.35</u>	<u>218,951</u>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>			<b>\$ 53,099.89</b>	<b>\$ 481,189.18</b>	<b>\$698,562</b>
	<b>September 30, 2008 Balance</b>	<b>(\$20,968.94)</b>			

NOTE: Thank you for your financial support! We have some catching up to do!

#### BUILDING INDEBTEDNESS UPDATE

In September we received \$1,265 in our Building Fund, and we increased our loan from the Endowment Fund by \$237,748.50 for the HVAC repair and upgrade leaving an indebtedness to the Endowment Fund of \$313,979.24.

NOTE: Retirement of this debt will be the first priority of the Capital Campaign that we undertake early next year, whether or not we vote to proceed with the plans put forth by our Building Committee.

#### SPECIAL OFFERINGS AND GIFTS RECEIVED IN SEPTEMBER

Neighbors in Need	\$ 466.45	Food Pantry	\$ 73.00
Youth Fund	30.00	Sunday School	46.03
Memorials	1,975.00	Camping Fund	64.76
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# Keep the Faith

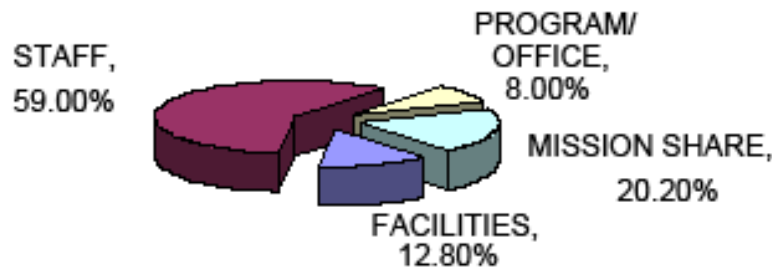
## 2008 Fall Financial Stewardship Campaign Grand Island Trinity United Methodist Church

### OUR OPERATING BUDGET

Our Church's Operating Budget is the mechanism that we use to care for the basic financial needs of congregational life. Without it we would cease to function. Through it we provide the infrastructure in which our congregation can flourish.

#### THE BUDGET PROVIDES

- **Facilities** – maintenance, cleaning supplies, insurance, utilities
- **Staff** – salary and benefits for two Pastors, Director of Family Ministries, Music staff, Visitation Minister, Custodians, Office Staff, & Nursery Staff
- **Basic Program/Office Expenses** – supplies, curriculum, music, office machines, etc.
- **Mission Share** – our participation in District, Conference and World Wide United Methodist Church



#### THE BUDGET DOES NOT PROVIDE

- **Capital Projects** – Building Funds are separate
- **Special Programs and Projects** – We provide a variety of opportunities to support projects and missions undertaken by groups within the congregation

**THE BUDGET IS ESTABLISHED** by the Administrative Council with input from several committees after receiving an estimate of income from the Finance Committee. It is based on commitments received and an analysis of current and past giving.

The 2009 Operating Budget will be presented for approval by the congregation at the All Church Conference on December 14.

Since 97% of the money to support the budget comes from offerings, **your financial support is very important.** Please consider making a financial commitment for the 2009 Operating Budget when you are asked to later this month or early next month.