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Together, Chapel In The Pines is:

2022 CITP Narrative Budget

The story of how our budget supports our mission

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Called
to *Connect*



Chapel in the Pines
Presbyterian Church



What is a Narrative Budget?

Where do the funds go?

How are they used?

This is the story behind the numbers —

— A story of generosity, fiscal responsibility and living into our potential and our mission.

Welcome • Worship • Witness



Living our Mission

What Components are in our Mission?

Welcome

We welcome all people into our community of faith, and we believe active Christian fellowship builds relationships and makes us better Christian friends with each other and with the world.

Worship

We worship God with gratitude for grace given to all people through Jesus Christ. Worship unites us as members of Christ's body and with the Church universal.

Witness

When we form connections to the body of Christ (within our church), those single connections become currents throughout the community passing blessings from person to person, disciple to disciple, life to life. When we are called to connect with the world around us, we are bringing people not just to our church or to our mission, but to the experience of the Love of Christ.

How Did We Establish What Went into Each Category?

WELCOME	WORSHIP	WITNESS
Building & Grounds	Building & Grounds	Building & Grounds
Communications	Communications	Communications
Membership	Worship	Christian Education
Fellowship		Mission & Service
Pastoral Care		Pastor's Discretionary Fund
		Other Special Offerings

How Do Staff Members and our Pastor Divide their Time among These Categories?

Welcome

Worship

Witness

What's Left: Operating Expenses!

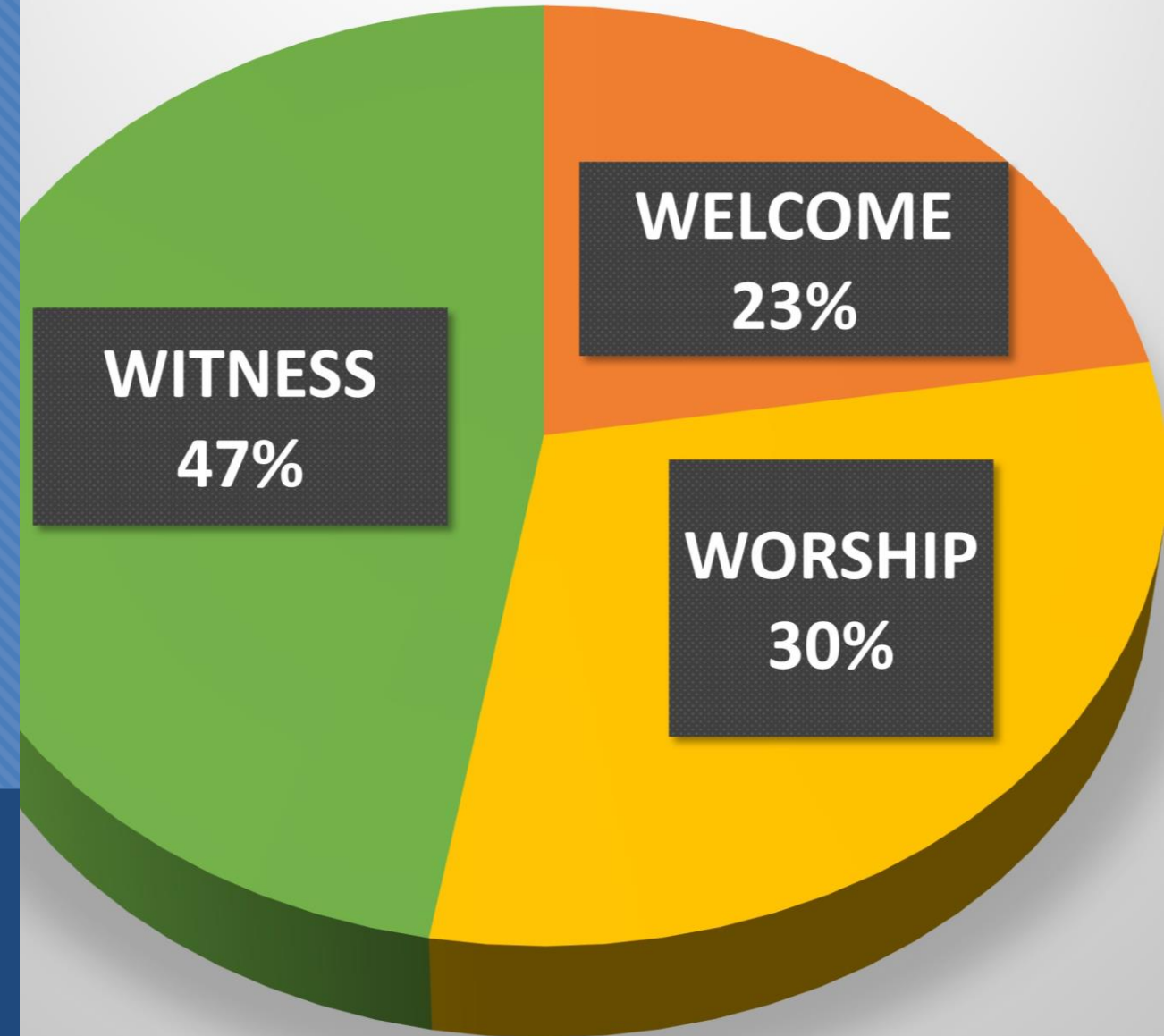
Our Largest Are:

Mortgage

Reserve for
Capital
Replacement



Here's How our Budget Supports our Mission



A young man with short brown hair, wearing a blue and black plaid jacket and a grey scarf, is seated at a piano, looking down at his hands. To his right, a large black BirdDog video camera is mounted on a tripod. The camera has a prominent lens and the brand name 'BirdDog' is visible in green on its base. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

Daniel's Story

“My **first goal** as the “assistant minister of music” is to **help create a space for worship.**”

The pandemic presented challenges to our worship services. With the **mission of reaching out, we learned to offer a variety of different worship experiences.** We experimented with pre-recorded services, parking lot services via AM radio, live-streamed services, and outdoor worship in the beauty of the pines.

The **beautiful result of this work**, that I **think will continue to be a gift to our congregation**, is the addition of the outdoor service and the live-streamed/recorded service.

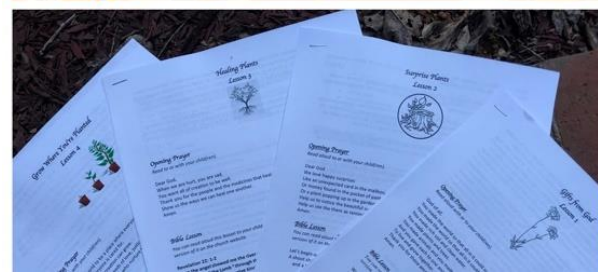
Perhaps more importantly, **we have learned to approach our roles as worship leaders with more creativity and humility.**”

Joelle's Story

To help our young disciples stay connected during the pandemic, we offered a **family-friendly outdoor worship service** for several months, **at-home activity kits** aligned with worship Bible readings, and **weekly Zoom youth groups** for 10–18-year-olds.

CITP **launched a new “tween” youth group** for 4th and 5th graders aimed at developing community, fun, and fellowship.

Our **Sacred Art table went “wild”** as worship services moved outdoors. **Children create chalk drawing offerings** during the early service **that are enjoyed by many** throughout the week.



Nana's Story

Approximately 12-14% of the Chatham County population lives at or below the poverty level (\$24,600/year for a family of 4).

www.ChathamCountyNC.Gov, www.trianglecf.com

"If there is among you anyone in need, a member of your community in any of your towns within the land that the Lord your God is giving you, do not be hard-hearted, or tight-fisted toward your needy neighbor. You should rather open your hand, willingly lending enough to meet the need, whatever it may be." – Deuteronomy 15:7-8 NRSV

Since January 1, 2021, donations to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund allowed CIP to pledge \$28,592.76 to help **56 families stay in their homes** (eviction and foreclosure), **keep utilities (water, gas, electric) connected**, and **provide temporary housing** for individuals/families facing homelessness. We also **provided financial support to three 501c3 agencies** – Benevolence Farm, Hispanic Liaison and Chatham County NC Homeless Shelters' (also known as "Love Chatham").



MATTHEW 25

Jeremy's Story

2021 provided lots of challenges to our music program. **We have been blessed with the technology to join in song** over the internet.

The choirs rehearsed online and were able to **continue providing innovative music** for our online worship service. **We were able to reach into people's homes and touch their hearts.**

We supported each other online and rejoiced when we were able to return to singing, even if we needed to be outdoors. **We have added new members** to our roster and **built on our tradition of community through worship.**



Why develop a narrative budget?

Let's just say we are **Called
to Connect:**

- The budget
- The mission
- Paul Nixon's report
- and the vitality team's recommendations





Thank You!

Questions? Follow-up? Praise?

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*“I am about to do a
new thing!
Now it springs forth!”*

– Isaiah 43:19_{NRSV}

