SHARING ABUNDANTLY

STEWARDSHIP 2027







God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. … You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us, for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God.
2 Corinthians 9.8-12 (selections)

Dear Knox Family,

It didn't take long for the two of us to realize that folks at Knox share generously with one another. It started when our moving van arrived and dozens of Knox members shared their time (and muscles) by helping unpack. But we quickly saw that that generosity wasn't just directed to us. Knox is a place where people share abundantly in the church's ministry.

We have seen lay people share the gospel with power and authenticity in small groups or retreats. We have seen dedicated elders who share their time and wisdom to help this church run smoothly. We have seen deacons and Stephen Ministers who share their compassion and prayers with those who are sick or struggling. We have seen choir members and worship leaders who share their talents and time to create stirring worship music. In 2 Cor. 9, Paul says it's a blessing to be able to 'share abundantly' in the church's good works. And he's right: one of the greatest privileges we have is the ability to share abundantly in what God is doing right here at this church.

And God is up to A LOT at Knox! Here are some of the places we see God at work:

- New members and young families continuing to attend and join Knox
- Small groups expanding and multiplying
- Continued support of mission opportunities outside our walls
- A revitalized Stephen Ministry program to care for those who are hurting
- A launch of the After-School Program under the leadership of Kelly Johnston with a full roster of kids and incredible volunteer support

None of this would be possible without our members who 'share abundantly' of their time, energy, and money. Your giving is one more way of participating abundantly in what God is doing. Your giving isn't just a 'yes' to the church: it's also a 'yes' to what God wants to do here, what God wants to do in and through us. Your giving says 'Yes, Lord, let your kingdom come in Naperville and beyond.' Your giving says 'yes, Lord, let lives be changed by Jesus—let kids grow here—let us serve with willing hands.' Your giving is just another way of sharing abundantly in what God is doing.



In what follows, you can learn more about our 2027 stewardship campaign: about where your support goes and our requests for the coming year. Please prayerfully consider your gift for 2027. May your offering 'not only supply the needs of the saints, but overflow with thankgivings to God.'

Yours in Christ,
Dave and Becca

11 Baptisms

42 New Members

5 New Small Groups With Over 50 Members

39 New Pledges in 2026

124 Increased Pledges From 2025 To 2026



"I feel we've been blessed abundantly in our lives. It's our responsibility and privilege to give back to Knox so that they can spread the blessings around. We are very blessed here in Naperville, and it's our obligation to share God's word abundantly."

-Ed and Janice Wiles



"The phrase 'sharing abundantly' to me is joyous, because at its core, it means more to give than to receive. And especially thinking about the holidays and then just even the year throughout, I remember more times where I've given than times where I've received things."

-Bill and Andrada Russell

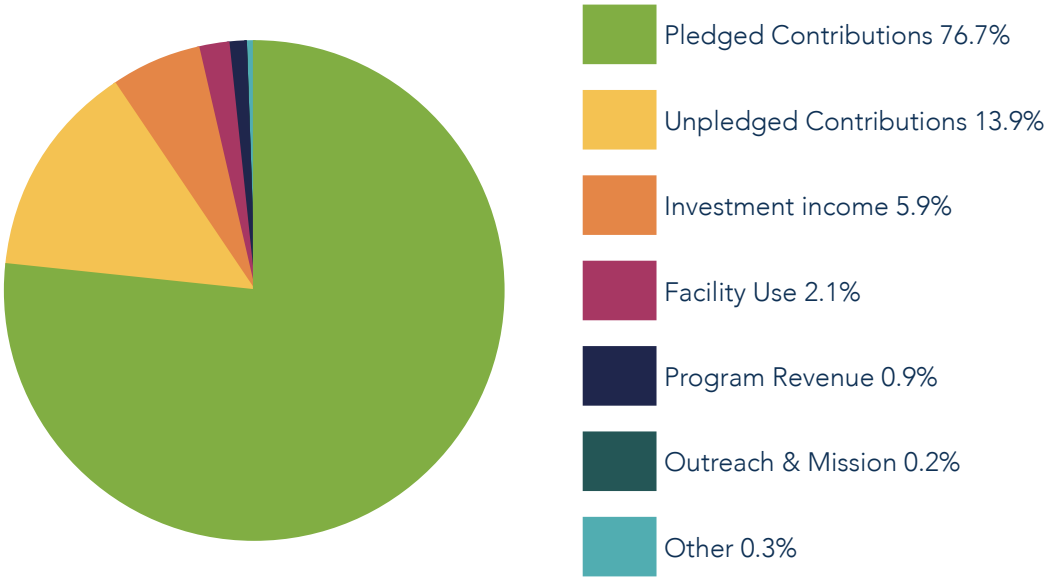


Several years ago—probably like 20 years ago—I unfortunately lost a job, and we were fortunate enough to have a severance period for that. But we spent a lot of time talking about would we be able to continue giving to the church throughout that time period, a time period of uncertainty of when I would find a new job or not. And it was also at a time where we had just had our second child, so Amanda was taking a break from work for a little while to raise our second child. And so we did make the decision to continue our giving to the church—a step of faith—and remarkably, it was in the last week of my severance that I got a job offer that I accepted. So what a testament to God's goodness that we stepped out and then He met us where we were."

-Larry & Amanda Hartley

2026 SOURCES OF REVENUE

2026 Projected Revenue
$1,907,850



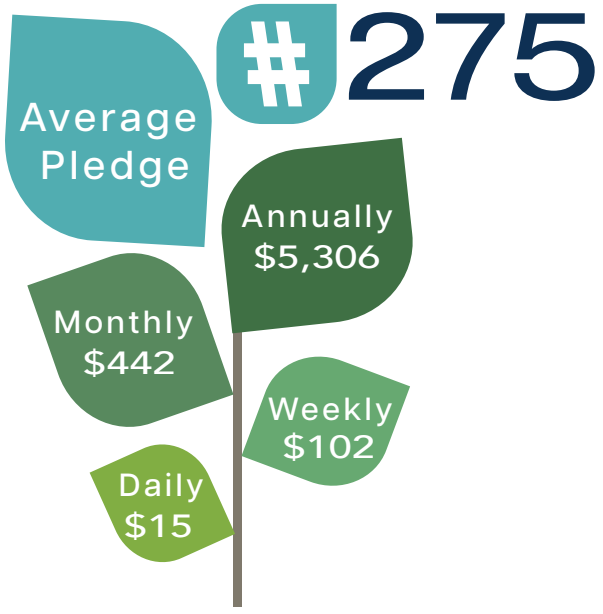
2026 PLEDGE DIMENSIONS

Pledged contributions are the largest source of revenue for Knox.

61.76% of households made an annual pledge in 2026

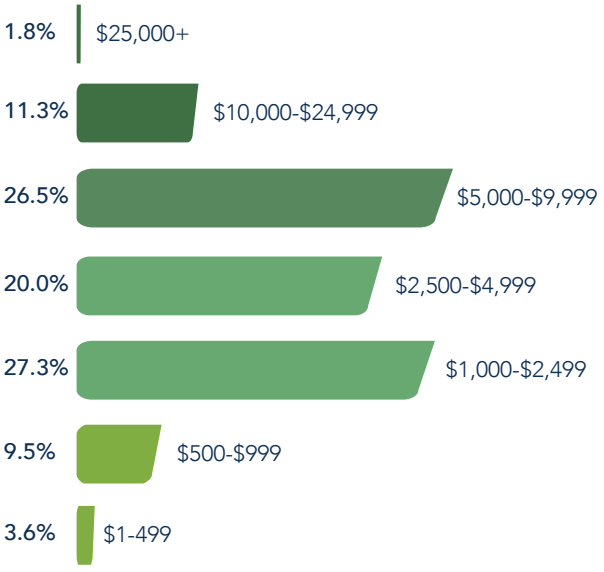
27.05% of households that pledged in 2026 increased their pledge from 2025

Pledging Households



Median annual pledge was $3,000

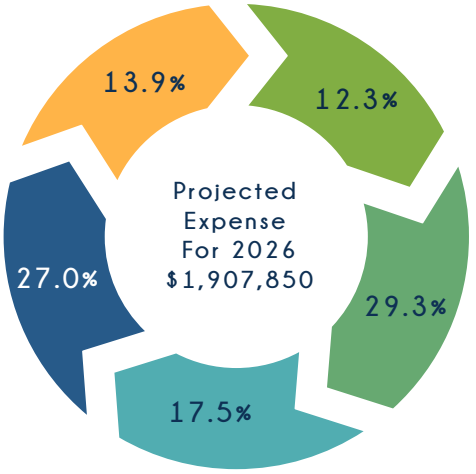
Percent of Households by Annual Pledge in 2026



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Mission & Service 13.9%

As the saying goes, "the church is the only organization that exists for the benefit of its non-members." We are proud to support a dozen mission partners whose work serves those in need. Our partners feed the hungry and house the homeless. They bring hope and dignity to the poor and suffering. They do so around the world, in nations like Kenya and Honduras, and around the corner, in DuPage County and Chicago. Thanks to your support, in 2026 Knox's budgeted mission giving was more than $135,000. In addition we also supported the Presbyterian Church (USA) with $35,948.



Facilities & Mortgage 29.3%

There's always something happening at 1105 Catalpa Lane! There's worship on Sunday mornings, of course—but fellowship and activities stretch into the afternoon and evening. There are children here every weekday between our Children's Day Out Preschool and our After School Program. There are councils on Tuesday nights, Knox Kids and Youth on Wednesday nights, and small groups and Bible studies throughout the working week. Plus support groups, Scouts, and Indian Prairie Great Banquet. It takes a lot of work to keep this building clean, welcoming, and set up the way it should be. Your support helps pay our mortgage and fund the staff who keep it welcoming, clean, and in working order.

Worship, Music & Arts 12.3%

Every Sunday, Knox lives out the words of Psalm 95: "come, let us sing to the Lord! Let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation." We come together to praise God—in Scripture and song, as individuals and as a community, as new friends and old friends, as young and old. There are a lot of moving parts to a successful worship service: choirs and bands, ushers and greeters, bulletins and slides, prayer and Scripture. Your support helps keep all those parts working in concert, with beautiful music, up-to-date technology, and spirited preaching and prayer.

Education & Discipleship 17.5%

There's no greater joy than seeing someone come to know Jesus better. That's true whether they're a kindergartner singing "Jesus Loves Me," a teenager working hard on Go & Serve, or an adult sharing their story in a small group. We want to live out our core value: "lives are changed by Jesus." Your support makes this possible through our education and discipleship ministries, which help every member of Knox, from 3 to 93, experience Jesus and his love.

Ministry Support 27.0%

A good church staff is like the engine of a car: a well-oiled machine, composed of many parts, working together seamlessly. You may not see our support staff up on the chancel on Sundays, but they are an essential part of everything we do at Knox. Their diligent and faithful work, often behind the scenes, helps everything we do here flourish. They update websites and send emails; they balance accounts and pay bills; they supervise contractors and schedule meetings. Your support help keeps our support staff running without a hitch!

**Percentages include staff salaries for each ministry area. Mission & Service does not include support from designated funds and second-mile giving.*

PLEDGE GOAL 2027: $1.6M

This $140,000 increase in pledges will help us fund the following:

$14,000 for new mission support

We want to continue to increase our giving outside our walls. Your pledges will support the addition of a new international mission partner in 2027!

$36,000 for staff raises

We want to reward our dedicated staff with a 3% raise. Your pledges support them and show Knox's appreciation for their diligent work.

$90,000 for expanded ministry support

Knox is growing and our ministry is multiplying, and our expenses have risen to keep pace! Your support helps us responsibly grow our program budgets in a way that meets the needs of today and prepares for tomorrow.

Here are some examples of ministry that your gifts make possible:

- **Children's and Youth Ministry**: our K-12 ministries are booming and packed with life! Your pledges fund curriculum and leader training, ministry to and with growing families, our Confirmation program, and a variety of retreats and special events. Expenses in this category have increased by 45% in the last three years.

- **Communications and Outreach:** your pledges support special events and partnerships that reach out beyond the four walls of our church. These include Knox Serves and promotional partnerships with local businesses like Dairy Queen and Blackberry Market. They also support high-quality photography and videography that help communicate our message effectively in worship and on the web. Expenses in these categories have more than doubled in the last three years.

- **Technology:** your pledges support the use and maintenance of technology vital to our work: they keep copiers and printers running smoothly, online databases at our fingertips, and provide necessary audio/visual support for our sanctuary. Expenses in this category have increased by 14% in the last three years.

These changes come from the expenses for 2024-2026.





FOUR REQUESTS FOR 2027

1 GIVE

If you've never given to Knox before, please consider financially supporting our mission! We rely on member donations for 100% of our annual budget. All we do comes from your giving.

2 PLEDGE

If you've never pledged before, please consider making a pledge! A pledge is simply an estimate of what you plan on giving in the coming year. Your pledge helps the church by making it easier for us to plan a responsible budget. And it helps you by giving you a clear goal to plan around. You can make a pledge on our website, or by scanning this QR code. (And remember, making a pledge doesn't create a recurring gift to the church. To do that, see #4 below.)

CREATE 2027 PLEDGE

3 INCREASE

If you have the ability to increase your giving, please consider doing so! One easy way to increase your giving is to use the chart below. Locate the amount of your gift or pledge vs. your annual income, and then try to increase by 1% this year. Your support isn't just a blessing to Knox, but will rebound in so many ways outside our walls: food for the hungry, healing for the heartbroken, and sharing the good news of the gospel.

4 AUTOMATE

Online giving is "set it and forget it"- it gives consistently on a schedule you choose. You'll never forget to give, and even when you're out of town, your donations are here. If you've made a pledge for 2027, it's a great way to help meet it!

- You can set up a **NEW** automated gift by logging into Realm or scanning this QR code.
- You can **CHANGE** a recurring gift you've set up that already exists by logging into Realm and updating your current scheduled gift. (This QR code is located on the back page).

CREATE NEW RECURRING GIFT

GROWING YOUR GIVING

ANNUAL INCOME	1%	2%	3%	4%	5%	6%	7%	8%	9%	TITHE 10%	ABOVE & BEYOND 12%	ABOVE & BEYOND 15%
$60,000	$50	$100	$150	$200	$250	$300	$350	$400	$450	$500	$600	$750
$80,000	$67	$133	$200	$267	$333	$400	$467	$533	$600	$667	$800	$1,000
$100,000	$83	$167	$250	$333	$417	$500	$583	$667	$750	$833	$1,000	$1,250
$120,000	$100	$200	$300	$400	$500	$600	$700	$800	$900	$1,000	$1,200	$1,500
$140,000	$117	$233	$350	$467	$583	$700	$817	$933	$1,050	$1,167	$1,400	$1,750
$160,000	$133	$267	$400	$533	$667	$800	$933	$1,067	$1,200	$1,333	$1,600	$2,000
$180,000	$150	$300	$450	$600	$750	$900	$1,050	$1,200	$1,350	$1,500	$1,800	$2,250
$200,000	$167	$333	$500	$667	$833	$1,000	$1,167	$1,333	$1,500	$1,667	$2,000	$2,500
$250,000	$208	$417	$625	$833	$1,042	$1,250	$1,458	$1,667	$1,875	$2,083	$2,500	$3,125
$300,000	$250	$500	$750	$1,000	$1,250	$1,500	$1,750	$2,000	$2,250	$2,500	$3,000	$3,750

The dollar amounts reflect monthly gifts

And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work.

As it is written,
"He scatters abroad; he gives to the poor;
his righteousness endures forever."

He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us, for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your partnership with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

2 Corinthians 9:8-15

Thank you for your partnership in ministry! Together we will see God's kingdom come—here in Naperville and around the world!

CREATE 2027 PLEDGE

CREATE NEW RECURRING GIFT

CHANGE EXISTING RECURRING GIFT ON REALM

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loving sacrificially, serving generously, and seeking Jesus together to see God's kingdom come in the Naperville area and beyond

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