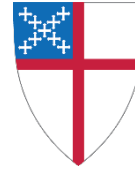


2024 Pledge Card
Grace Episcopal Church
401 Pendleton Street
Waycross, GA 31501
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Church**

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

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PLEDGE INFORMATION

Fund	Installment Pledge	Amount per (Circle one)			Total Annual Pledge
Tithe	_____	week	month	year	= _____
Building Fund	_____	week	month	year	= _____
Rector's Discretionary	_____	week	month	year	= _____
Sacks for Saturday (weekly need is \$200.00)	_____	week	month	year	= _____
Altar Guild	_____	week	month	year	= _____
2024 Capital Campaign	_____	week	month	year	= _____
					<i>thank you!</i> 2024 Total Pledge = _____

In gratitude for the gift of God's love and to support the work of my church in the coming year, I commit to making the pledge stated above. If I need to change the amount pledged, I will notify the Church Treasurer, Tom Strait.

Signature _____ Date _____

Please send me information on making my pledge by: (circle all that apply) bank EFT draft offering envelopes

TITHE

Tithe in Hebrew literally means a tenth. Biblically, Deuteronomy 14 describes the tithe as representing the “first fruits” of the harvest, as representative of how all that we receive in this life comes from God’s gifts to us. The tithe is used to support the operations, staffing and ministries of the church. The Vestry uses the amount tithed to the church in setting its annual budget.

For 2023, we budgeted based on expected tithes of \$117,000.00. 87% of the church’s income is from tithes. It is by far the most important way we raise funds for the operation of the church.

BUILDING FUND

Maintaining our church building is a worthy and sometimes costly enterprise. Your donation to the building fund will make a lasting contribution to preserving our building and our historic church home. Roofs, plumbing, kitchen equipment- these things require upkeep, maintenance and replacement.

RECTOR’S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Donations to the Rector’s Discretionary Fund go directly to people in our community who are in need. This can include food, utilities, or rental assistance.

SACKS FOR SATURDAY

Each week we provide meals that needy student s at Ruskin Elementary can take home with them on Friday so they won't go hungry over the weekend. Please support this ministry by designating "Sacks for Saturday" on your offering or by purchasing food from the list of recommended items (available in the Parish Hall). The group meets at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesdays in the Parish Hall.

It costs \$200.00 per week for 25 weeks during the school year to fund this ministry. This does not include the cost of the holiday meals and gifts that we provide during Christmas.

ALTAR GUILD

A volunteer group of the parish whose ministry is to care for the altar, vestments, vessels, and altar linens of the parish. Altar Guild members prepare the sanctuary for services and clean up afterwards. Altar Guild members frequently supervise the decoration of the sanctuary of the parish with flowers.

Fresh altar flower arrangements cost around \$54 each week.

2024 CAPTIAL CAMPAIGN

For 2024, we would like to raise funds to replace the aging air conditioning units for the altar and sacristy. We estimate that the cost to replace these units will be over \$8,000.00. While the units are presently functioning, we want raise the funds for their replacement before we encounter an emergency.

