COMMITMENT SUNDAY IS OCTOBER 27, 2024



A group of church members and friends gather in Guild Hall for a photograph after completing an April Work Day event, sprucing up the church grounds, window cleaning and refinishing Courtyard benches.

Together in Commitment

2025 Giving Campaign Seeks 100% Participation

For over a century, Piedmont Community Church has been a vibrant and welcoming spiritual home for Christians in the East Bay.

Together as a congregation, we deepen our faith and build on our rich history as we participate in worship, in outreach and service to the wider community and in joining in fellowship and comforting each other.

After a year of exciting new beginnings and directions, our church is growing. Participation in worship,

events, service programs and our NextGen ministries - as well as the number and impact of our programs - have all increased over the past year. We have welcomed new members, warmly greeted returning members, reached across the globe by way of our online ministry and are excited that young families are now part of our NextGen program.

God's grace comes to us at no cost, but we can only do His work if we have the resources to do so. The two-fold goal of our 2025 Together Giving Campaign is 100% participation from our members and friends and to raise a total of \$1.1 million in general operating support.

Our strength lies in coming together as a faith community to support our church financially at all levels. Everyone's participation is significant and essential.

Our 2025 Giving Campaign Goal is \$1.1M



Together in Faith

Regular attendance at worship is the heartbeat of our church's ministry.

Worship in our Sanctuary and online feeds our spirits with prayer and sermons that inspire, teach and challenge us in our faith.

We are blessed with the music ministry by our Chancel Choir, Handbell Ensemble, musicians and soloists that covers a wide unique range from classical masterworks to spirituals to the rockabilly Americana Sunday to new compositions by Music Minister Stephen Main.

Life Groups, Men's Bible Study, Women Together Bible Study, periodic adult learning classes and a Zoom Bible Study are just some of the sources that support our growth in faith and understanding of God's Word.

In our newly renovated Christian Education building, our NextGen ministry uses music, drama and storytelling to teach children and youth about God's love in a dynamic way each week.

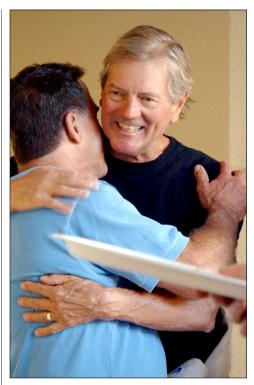


Service to community is an integral part of Piedmont Church life. This group assembled meals for Alameda County community Food Bank in May.

Together in Service

Piedmont Church is a place to not only deepen one's faith, but to live it. Our new Mission Board brings fresh perspective and strategy to our longstanding local Mission Partners, including Children Rising, CityTeam and Harbor House - while supporting global outreach by way of the Refugee Task Force and the Alternative Gift Market.

Taking care of our own faith community provides additional opportunities to serve. From boards and committees that keep the church functioning to volunteering on church workdays to teaching children in Sunday school, Piedmont Church provides many ways to get involved.



Senior Pastor Steve Schibsted and church member Bill Branaugh greet each other during a fellowship event.

Together in Fellowship

each other when we come together at fellowship events.

Throughout the year, we gather regularly for meals, celebrations and receptions that are both meaningful and festive, including an Agape Meal during Holy Week, our Annual Church picnic and serving root beer floats to thirsty parade watchers on the Fourth of July.

Our NextGen events are joyful opportunities to be together as a church family and to serve families in our community - from welcoming hundreds of community families for a fun-filled Snow Day to a High School Retreat and a glow-in-the-dark Easter Egg hunt.



Commitment Sunday

Here's what to expect

ommitment Sunday is earlier than in recent years. After adjusting our operating campaign due to the 2020 pandemic, we have returned to a fall campaign for 2025.

On Sunday, October 27, we will have the opportunity to come together as a community of faith to support our church during worship by submitting our Commitment Cards. Those worshipping online will be asked to visit a page on our website to make their commitments electronically.

Your financial commitment in advance of the 2025 fiscal year is essential to the organizational planning necessary to continue our trajectory of vibrancy and renewal.

We ask you to consider Piedmont Community Church first when planning your giving to all the organizations you support.



Your financial support allows for programs like NextGen to exist. With music, drama and storytelling, kids learn about God's love in a dynamic way each week. Fun, family-friendly events are scheduled year round.

Together in Comfort

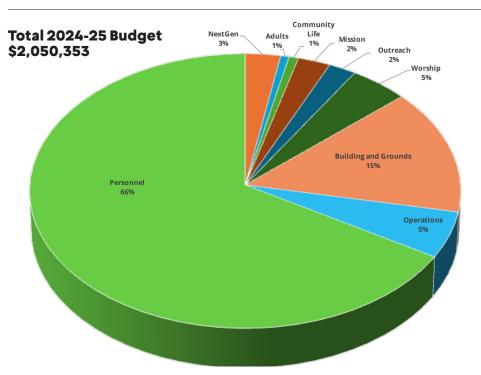
The seek to care for each other throughout our lives, but we especially need to come together as we face illness, loss and grief.

A variety of programs for seniors bring companionship and the Word of God through small groups and in-home ministry. Seniors Seeking Conversation and Coffee as well as parish visits bring us into close fellowship. A new Grief Group helps us support each other in prayerful recovery from loss.

Your Financial Commitment

The 2025 Giving Campaign provides the funds needed for church operations, including salaries, non-capital maintenance, utilities and other program costs. There is no overlap with the current 2024 Campaign commitments, even though the timing of the Campaign has returned to the fall.

Please prayerfully consider your 2025 financial commitment in support of our ministries and programs. Then, in worship on Sunday, October 27, make your commitment to secure the sustainability and continued growth of Piedmont Community Church.



Our 2025 Giving Campaign Goal is \$1.1M

Your commitment to the 2025 Giving Campaign will contribute significantly to this year's total church budget. Additional revenue comes from facility rentals, planned giving and investments. If you would like information on planned giving to Piedmont Community Church, contact Ann Lin at Ann@PiedmontChurch.org





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Our business is changing lives. We exist as a church to help people in our community and all over the world to explore a life-changing relationship with our loving God. We are here to spread grace and mercy and peace and love."

- Steve Schibsted, Senior Pastor



Your 2025 Stewardship Committee is Ann Lin (Chair), Geoff Colton, Jo Giessler, Ron Heckmann, Dani Montague, Cathy Nancarrow, Steve Schibsted and Paul Schroeder.



