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During our annual stewardship campaign, you have been hearing about the theme, *Rooted in Abundance*, and its reminder to us that we are inspired to give because so much has been given to us. We give because of the love we have experienced in the story of our faith. We dig deep into what nourishes us to transform that goodness into work, service, and joy in a world that needs us.

I am grateful that you have called me to lead this annual process of telling the story of our abundance and our gratitude. Every gift matters this year, and each gift will be accepted, brought to the altar, and blessed before God and our community. We will gather on Sunday, November 12th, to turn in our intentional gift cards and after service to celebrate with each other with a potluck brunch in the Fellowship Hall.

As you fill out your intentional gift cards, you'll notice that one part is about your financial promises for the year, your wealth. The other part is dedicated to how you might want to share your works and your wisdom. Beyond staffing committees, our work of wisdom is about unlocking creativity to grow our mission, collaborating with other people and institutions to serve more of our neighbors, and how we form generous, grateful hearts through our efforts. Our works bring us opportunities to roll up our sleeves, to volunteer for service, to pitch in to help make things better.



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This year, as you pray about your commitment to St. Paul's, please tap into that nourishing structure of faith and generosity shown to us by an extravagant God, a patient Shepherd, and a gathering Spirit who call us to extend our networks and share our gifts with the world. When you are rooted in abundance, you realize that your giving can be as boundless as the Creation that gave birth to us all. Thank you for your generosity and your prayerful consideration of your gifts to St. Paul's.

In gratitude,

Hugh Shannon
Stewardship Campaign Chair

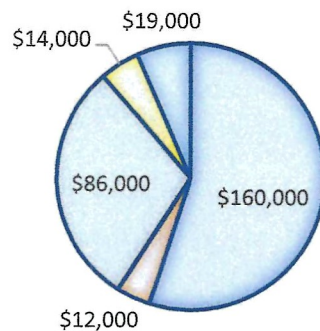
P.S. All invited on Sunday, November 12, the last Sunday of our campaign. If you are unable to attend in person, please send or submit your gifts by that date so that we may gather them together and bless them.

2024 Revenue Considerations:

- Intentional Giving budgeted same amount as 2023 Intentional Giving.
- General Gifts and Plate Offerings budgeted the same amount as 2023 General Gifts and Plate Offerings.
- Fundraising is a new and important revenue source.

2024 PROJECTED GIVING \$291,000

■ Diocesan Support ■ Fundraisers ■ Intentional Giving ■ Plate Offerings ■ Reserve

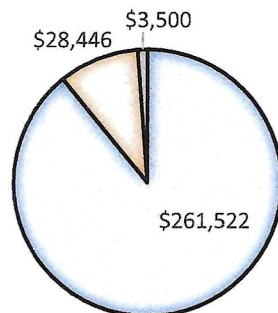


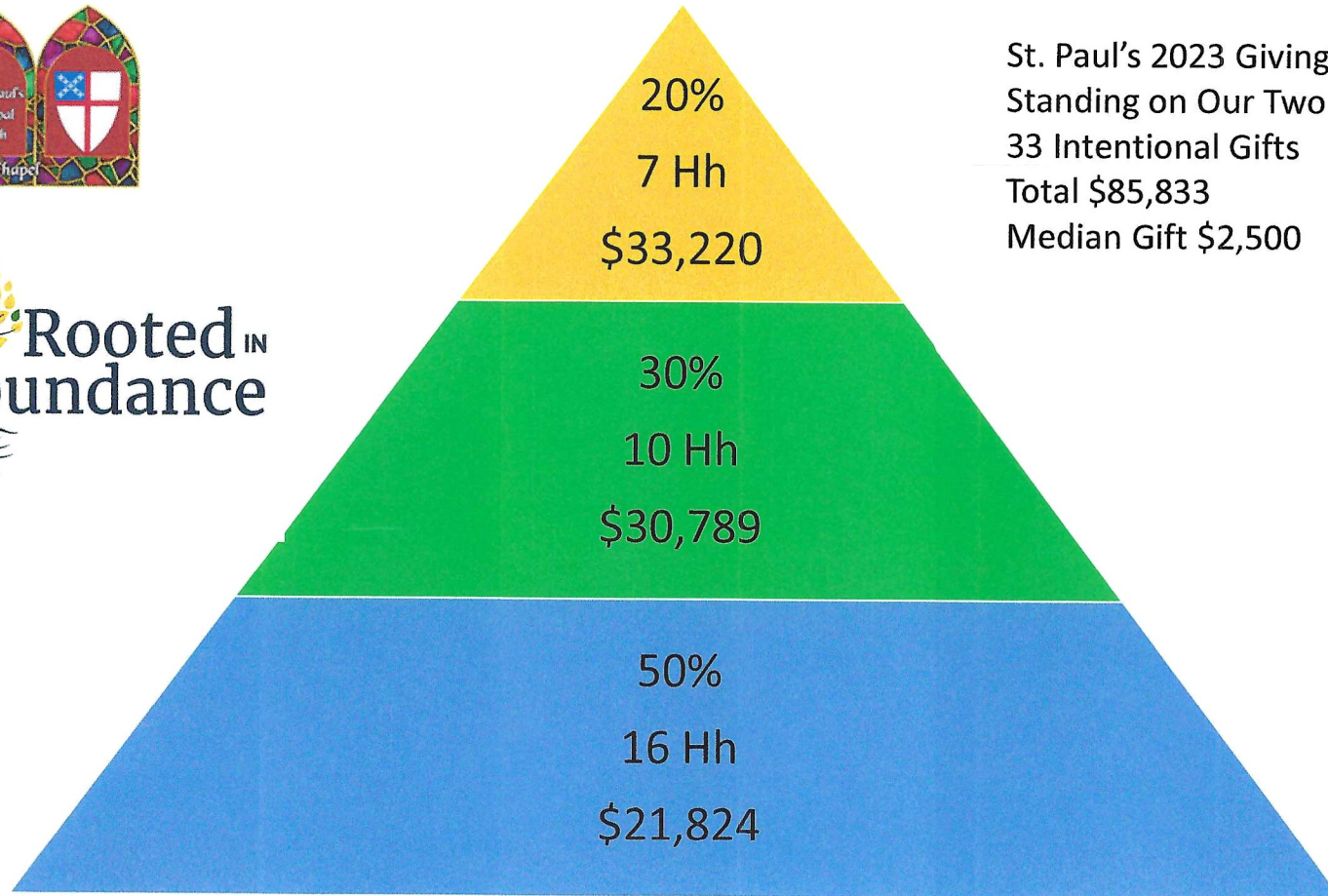
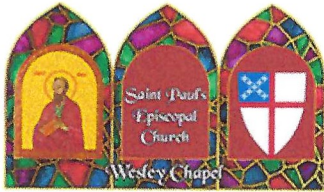
2024 Expense Considerations:

- 2024 expenses projected 9.4% higher than 2023.

2024 PROJECTED EXPENSES \$293,468

■ Sacramental Life ■ Services-Maintenance-Expenses ■ Outreach-Mission





St. Paul's 2023 Giving Campaign
Standing on Our Two Feet
33 Intentional Gifts
Total \$85,833
Median Gift \$2,500