

Narrative Budget



A line by line budget is helpful (and available on our website) as we account for each dollar donated to our various ministries. But it does not give the stories and statistics behind the many ways the staff and congregants spend our time and money to "cultivate" our shared community. A narrative budget helps us conceptualize this by categorizing all the funds into **five ministries**:

Community Engagement
Worship
Children and Youth
Connection and Care
Common Good

Each dollar in our budget is represented in one of these areas of ministry-- perhaps through building usage, staff hours, or actual dollars spent.



**Cultivating a shared
community of
curiosity, spirituality,
and belonging.**

Welcome others.
Be of service.
Open our minds.
Participate.

Overview

Community Engagement

\$94,023 28%

Sundays Together (Worship)

\$73,875 22%

Children & Youth

\$67,159 20%

Connection & Care

\$53,727 16%

Common Good

\$47,011 14%



Keep up to date on our efforts in these ministries in our newsletter, bulletin, and social media accounts.



Community Engagement

Cultivating a Shared Community

This category gestures toward how porous our identity as a church is with our identity as an Ormewood Park neighbor. Vincent Van Gogh says that the best way to know God is to love many things, and we take this seriously in our neighborhood. From community events to the Dog Yard to local rentals to parking lot meet-ups, we are rooted in our place and in place-making.

Ormewood Club

In its earlier days, our neighborhood had a civic organization called the “Ormewood Club” that hosted community-focused events and groups. We are slowly taking on that mantle by opening our campus to singing clubs, mahjong gatherings, informational meetings, and such. We hope to focus more energy on shaping Ormewood Club as the year develops, sharing our space with shared neighborhood concerns & goals.

What should young people do with their lives today? Many things, obviously. But the most daring thing is to create stable communities in which the terrible disease of loneliness can be cured.

-Kurt Vonnegut



Sundays Together



Worship is the place where all our paths cross. People are praying, singing, greeting, teaching, catching up, and reading scripture. It's a consistent space of God's goodness in our complicated world.

Stats

Worship: 52 Services

Loaves of Bread: 48

Songs: 261

132 Sermon Streams

Most Streamed Sermon: Making Decisions



Sermon Series

Mission Statement

What Is Saving Your Life?

Beatitudes

Parables

Camp Curiosity

5 Syllable Word: Presbyterian

Peacebuilding

Let It Be So





Cornhole



Camping



Sunday School



Creative Camp

Children & Youth

What Is Church?

"A silly place to play." -Connor

"Church is communion and prayer at the lights." -Finley

"People sing in church with stories about God." - Sabie

"Church is a safe place for people to worship God, and express themselves." -Bennett

- 49** = # of Sunday School lessons this year
- 30** = # of Care Kits made for Retired Neighbors
- 10** = # of Big Kid Sunday School classes
- 8** = # of Bake Sale Volunteers
- 1** = # of epic Christmas Pageants

Jenelle hangs out with our crew of youth on Tuesday mornings. Their favorite breakfast snack is muffins. We start every morning with a 2-word check-in and close with our "thumbs up" and our "thumbs down" for the week. We have five seniors heading off to new adventures this year. They'll get well wishes and a new Bible from the church.



Creative Camp



Sunday Worship

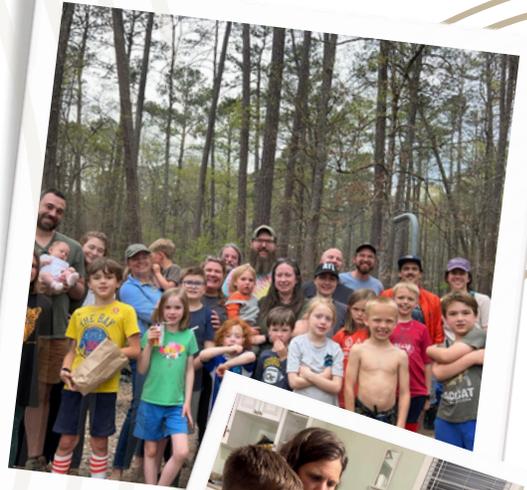


Kennesaw Mountain

Connection & Care

So much of our life of faith is embedded in relationship. If you showed up to do that at Ormewood Church (in a myriad of ways, but not in worship), it's likely in this category.

Camping Trip - Potlucks - Beatitudes
Porch Group - Silence Group - Curiosity
Crew - On Ramp - Pizza in the Parking Lot
- Federal Worker Support Group - Beach
Retreat - Peace-building Sunday School -
Deck the Halls - Mom Hang - Holiday Prep
Yoga - WhatsApp Shenanigans



Common Good



Shared Community Fund

In 2025 we created the Shared Community Fund to allow YOU to direct our shared resources (10% of giving) to the people and places on our collective hearts. This year it included: Intown Cares, Holy Comforter, More Light, Inspiritus, Parkside Elementary and King MS SNAP efforts, Urban Recipe, New Church Development Commission, and PAWS Atlanta.

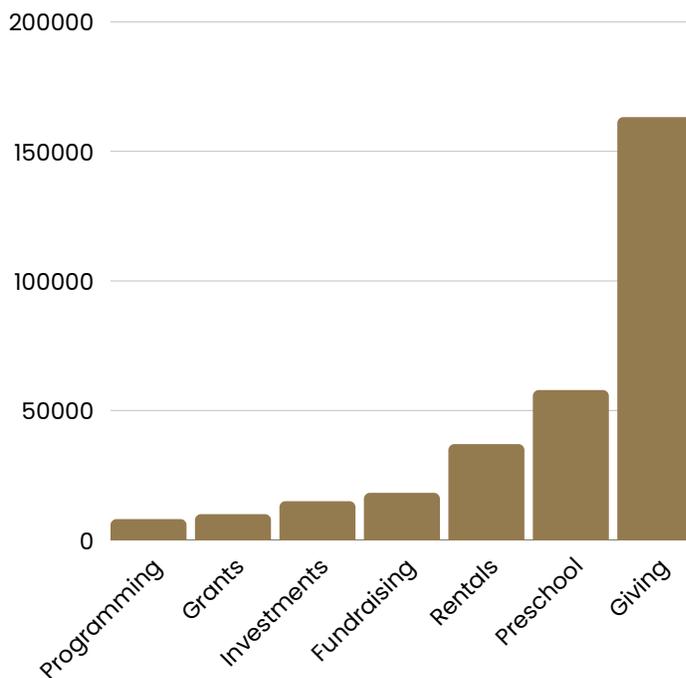
On the Ground

Hope Tree Jacket Drive - Holy Comforter Meals - Food Packing in the FH - MLK Meal Prep - Halloween Hot Dog Feast - Bake Sale - Gift Card Drive for Immigrant Families - Federal Workers Support Group





Income | Where did our \$310,000 come from in 2025?



In the beginning of our life together, our church invested \$200,000 (about one year of our budget at the time) into a rainy day fund. To cover our deficit in 2025, we pulled \$15,000 from this fund, which now stands at \$208,000.

It is essential for the sustainability of churches to diversify where their support comes from. As you can see, much of our financial health comes from the faithfulness of our people. We also have a good portion from the stewardship of our property, which we are always looking to develop more. Our Rummage Sale this year was a new tool for sustainability that we're looking forward to growing.

Thank you.

The Narrative Budget gives us an enfolded vision of how our money leads to ministry. It helps us look at the amazing things we've done together with God.

We also get to share what the Leadership Team sees in the future. And it's bright! We're excited about the upcoming shifts in Children's Sunday School. We're excited about the increased community use of our property in the Ormewood Club and other fun endeavors. We're excited about the community we see gather every Sunday at 11AM. The money that comes into this community creates opportunities and connections for the Spirit of God to work in this neighborhood and this world.

If you are part of the \$310,000 that sustained this space and these people this year, thank you. We cannot do this without your financial faithfulness. One way to make the world you want to see is to send resources to it. Thanks for trusting us with yours.

As we continue to grow, we continue to have more opportunities and responsibilities to these people, this property, and the work of God. Please consider starting a reoccurring financial gift to Ormewood Church if you don't already give. This is the most reliable way for us to plan our future. If you already give, THANKS! Please consider increasing your gift by 10% in gratitude for the ways God moves through this place and these people. Every additional gift matters.

With affection and hope, Rev. Jenelle Holmes + LT Team



2025 Leadership Team

The Spreadsheet | 2025 Actuals

These can be found as PDFs on our About page of our website.

Ormewood Church		2025	12/31/25	100.00%	YTD Prev Yr	+ / -
YTD Budget v. Actual		Income	\$ 232,800.00	\$ 232,800.00	\$ 310,656.70	\$ 257,208.58 \$ 77,856.70
21110204	2025-1231 Profit and Loss	Expenses	\$ 291,800.00	\$ 291,800.00	\$ 335,794.77	\$ 283,178.17 \$ (43,994.77)
		+ / -	\$ (59,000.00)	\$ (59,000.00)	\$ (25,138.07)	\$ (25,969.59) \$ 33,861.93
INCOME						
4100	Unrestricted	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -
4110	Regular Giving	\$ 146,000.00	\$ 146,000.00	\$ 163,223.64	\$ 166,819.48	\$ 17,223.64
4120	Rental Income	\$ 33,000.00	\$ 33,000.00	\$ 37,035.67	\$ 20,470.47	\$ 4,035.67
4130	Special Income	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 26,172.50		\$ 26,172.50
4140	Preschool Rent	\$ 37,300.00	\$ 37,300.00	\$ 57,900.00	\$ 36,300.00	\$ 20,600.00
4200	External Programing	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 17,654.42	\$ 4,842.80	\$ 11,154.42
4300	Internal Programing	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 574.09	\$ 1,865.00	\$ (425.91)
4310	Trips Income	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 3,718.25	\$ 4,456.45	\$ (1,281.75)
4400	In-Kind/NCDC	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 17,528.53	\$ -
4500	Restricted Income	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 2,540.00	\$ -
4600	Pastor's Discretionary Fund	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 300.00	\$ -
4700	Dog Yard Income	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,378.13	\$ 2,085.65	\$ 378.13
EXPENSES			\$ -			\$ -
5000	Pastor's Discretionary Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 75.00		\$ (75.00)
5500	Restricted Expenses	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -
6000	Personnel	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -
6100	Staff	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -
6120	Pastor	\$ 87,000.00	\$ 87,000.00	\$ 87,650.00	\$ 81,872.84	\$ (650.00)
6130	Ops Manager	\$ -	\$ -		\$ 10,495.88	\$ -
6140	Children's Director	\$ 62,500.00	\$ 62,500.00	\$ 67,481.33	\$ 36,644.06	\$ (4,981.33)
6150	Nursery Workers	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,753.50	\$ 2,700.00	\$ (753.50)
6160	Interns	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -
6170	Bookkeeper	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 2,550.00	\$ 2,975.00	\$ (150.00)
6180	Musician	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 11,330.00	\$ 10,730.00	\$ (830.00)
6200	Professional Expenses	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
6210	Pastor Professional Expenses	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,694.52	\$ 1,713.24	\$ (194.52)
6220	Pastoral Care	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 720.95	\$ 188.98	\$ (220.95)

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		+ / -	\$ (59,000.00)	\$ (59,000.00)	\$ (25,138.07)	\$ (25,969.59) \$ 33,861.93
6230	Staff Professional Expenses	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,622.96		\$ (122.96)
6300	Admin/Operating	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -
6310	Office Supplies	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 4,447.30	\$ 1,818.80	\$ (2,447.30)
6320	Technology Fees	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 8,793.35	\$ 8,526.30	\$ 1,206.65
6340	Liability Insurance	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -
6400	Facilities	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -
6410	Utilities	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 35,883.53	\$ 29,709.00	\$ (883.53)
6420	Maintenance	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 28,739.07	\$ 27,390.13	\$ (8,739.07)
6430	Repairs & Renovations	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 24,377.08	\$ 19,983.30	\$ (14,377.08)
6440	Property Insurance	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,039.97	\$ 8,977.50	\$ (39.97)
6450	Dog Yard Expenses	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 6,046.29	\$ 12,862.32	\$ (2,046.29)
6500	External Programing	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -
6510	Programs	\$ 3,800.00	\$ 3,800.00	\$ 8,636.15	\$ 3,155.53	\$ (4,836.15)
6520	Community Donations	\$ 14,600.00	\$ 14,600.00	\$ 14,946.44	\$ 6,231.36	\$ (346.44)
6600	Internal Programing	\$ -	\$ -			\$ -
6610	Worship	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 6,033.87	\$ 6,388.25	\$ (1,033.87)
6620	Children	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 2,040.97	\$ 2,288.30	\$ (540.97)
6630	Youth	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 841.69	\$ 1,721.06	\$ (341.69)
6640	Adult	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 924.24	\$ 1,975.18	\$ 575.76
6650	Trips	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 7,166.56	\$ 4,831.14	\$ (2,166.56)