

How is the mission of Second Church funded?

70% of mission funding comes from pledging. Making a pledge means donating a portion of your income to the church. Pledges are preferable to non-pledged or collection-plate income because a pledge represents an intention to contribute a specific amount, whereas non-pledged or collection-plate amounts can only be estimated.

How much of the budget supports the mission?

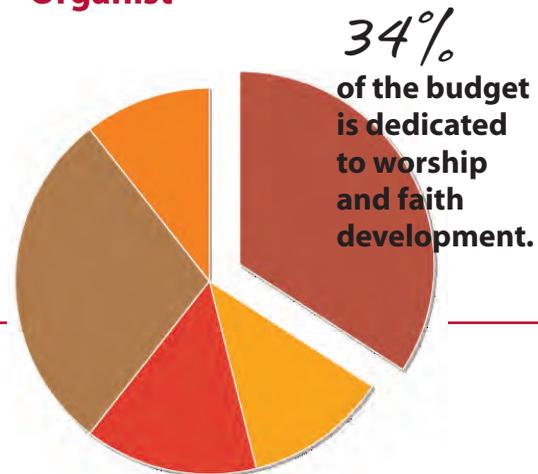
60% of the budget is dedicated to the work of the church; the other 40% goes toward maintenance of facilities, supplies for the work done by staff and committees, utility bills, mortgage payments and insurance premiums. Considering the extent of our physical plan, the fact that well over half our resources go to the work of the church reflects a genuine commitment to efficiency.

Worship and Faith Development \$122,000

Supporting Worship and Music; Caring for our Church Family...

Worship allows us to come together as God's people in prayer, song and fellowship. Thought provoking sermons and unique special services accompanied by uplifting, inspirational music characterize our shared experience. Afterward, the sounds of children having fun and adults engaged in conversation, blended with the smell of coffee and baked goods, describes our Fellowship Hour.

- **Diaconate**
- **Music**
- **Hospitality**
- **Pastor, Music Director, Organist**



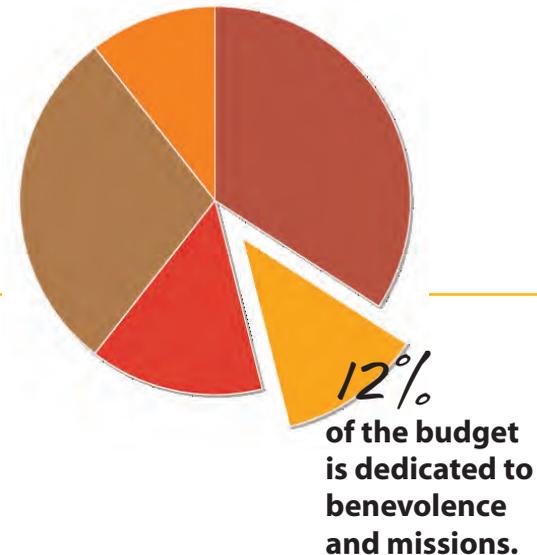
Benevolence and Missions \$42,000

Community Outreach, Promoting Worthy Causes...

Second Church is a mission driven church, that emphasizes community service, volunteerism and helping better the lives of those who are less fortunate.

From Bread & Roses, Intercultural Nursing, Windrush Farm and Heifer Project to youth mission trips and BBQ fundraisers, members and friends of all ages have ample opportunities to get involved...to "give and do."

- **Christian Outreach**
- **Service Projects**

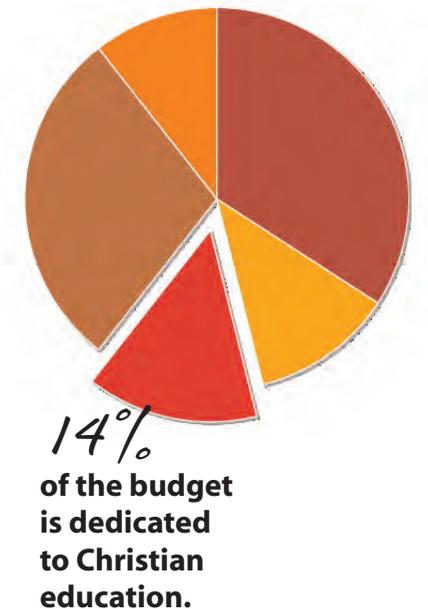


Christian Education \$51,000

Teaching and Nurturing...

S.P.A.R.K.S. and F.I.R.E. and Bible Basics; Oh my! Sunday School, confirmation classes and adult Bible study meetings continually educate, motivate and stimulate the hearts and minds of all who participate.

- **Adult Programs**
- **Sunday School**
- **Youth Minister**



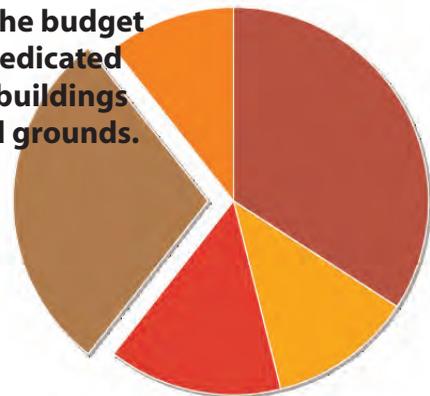
Buildings and Grounds \$103,000

Maintaining and Equipping our Facility...

Second Church is blessed with a gorgeous campus and facilities for worship and fellowship that include the sanctuary, library, parish hall, kitchen, classrooms and nursery, a charming parsonage, the well-utilized Park House, a pond-side Memorial Garden, ample parking, and acres of grounds that any editor of *House Beautiful* would envy.

- Facilities Maintenance
- Park House Mortgage
- Capital Expense Accrual
- Sexton

29%
of the budget
is dedicated
to buildings
and grounds.



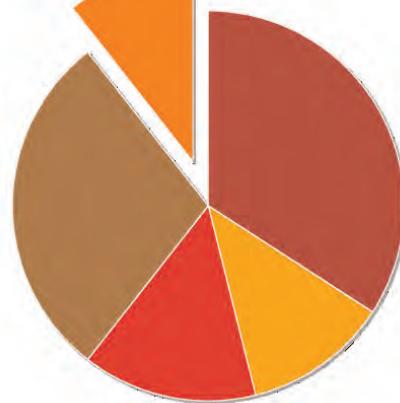
Church Administration \$37,000

Operating our Church...

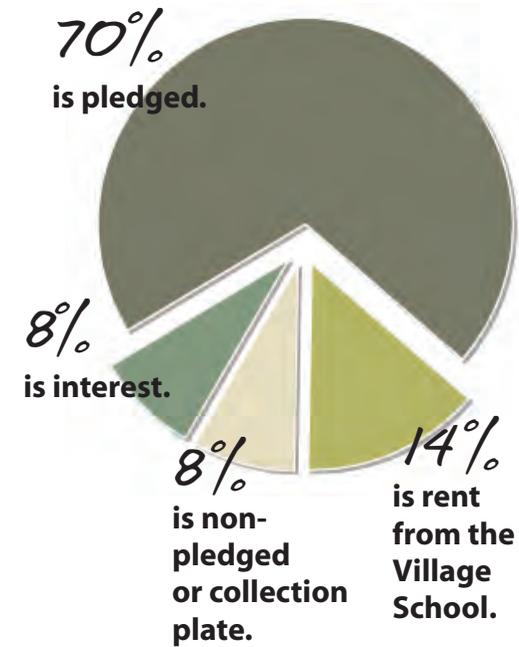
With so much going on in and around Second Church, we rely on a large number of committees and individuals to help support the organization.

- Office Supplies, Copier, Telephone, ISP
- Newsletter, Postage, Mailing, Web site
- Insurance Plan Fee
- Office Assistant

11%
of the budget
is dedicated to
administration.



What is the church's source of income?



At the end of each calendar year, in concert with church staff and committee leaders, the Trustees draft a budget that is based on estimated income for the coming year. Early in the new year, at Annual Meeting, the Trustees present their proposed budget to the congregation for ratification.



The Kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which some one found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

Matthew 13:44



Second Congregational Church of Boxford UCC

Sharing Gifts Since 1734

No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey...you are welcome here.