

# *Parish Building Survey*

*(05/16/24)*



**MISSION STATEMENT:** *Grow and develop congregations spiritually, numerically and in missional leadership.*

**FOCUS:** *Relationship, Leadership & Stewardship*

# Parish Building & Property Survey

*Results (n=23, 55% of churches)*

## **GOVERNANCE:**

- Does the church have a current plan of projects? **87% YES**
- Does the plan include cost estimates? **65% YES**
- What is the current total cost estimate? **\$169,000 (Avg.)**
- Does the Vestry review the plan/budget process? **68% YES**

## **FUNDING:**

- Existing Funds (78%) *Capital and/or endowment funds*
- Capital Campaign (65%)
- Cash or Current Income (48%)
- Other (26%) *Mostly Grant Funding*
- Loan (22%)
  
- Established Capital Fund (43%), **Avg. Bal. ~ \$39,000 (23%)**

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## **PROJECTS:**

- Structural Repairs (61%)
- Roof replacement/repair (43%)
- Water issues (35%)
- HVAC (22%)
- OTHER (65%) *Flooring, lighting, ADA, painting, paving, gutters, insulation, fencing, security system, organ replacement, etc.*

## **RESOURCES (Worked with in the past):**

- Episcopal Building Fund (ECB) (4%)
- Episcopal Church Foundation (ECF) (0%)
- Other (26%) *Sibley loans, Sacred Spaces, Landmark Society, Architects, Engineers, Grant Writers, Consultants*

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## **RESOURCES (Needed in the future):**

- **Grants:** Information, grant writers, etc. (35%)
- **Fund raising:** Planned giving, matching funds, etc. (22%)
- **Consultants/Experts:** Engineers, architects, historic preservation, contractors, project managers, bldg. inspectors, etc. (22%)
- Formation? *The church is not the building*

## ***NEXT STEPS:***

- *Engage Building & Property Committee of Trustees on the largest issues: Churches making strategic decisions. Overall, >\$7M. deferred maintenance, vs. annual spend ~ \$1.5 M.*
- *Consider better ways to share experience across parishes*
- *Consider info sessions/workshops with ECF, ECB, Grant Writer*