

## April Leadership Team Update:

April 16, 2026

1. We met on Monday April 13, 2026 for our regular monthly meeting. We prayed for our ministry of helping people discover and follow Jesus. We prayed for the work of our many ministries, the Leadership Team, the Pastor Search Committee, and for the next pastor that we will call. Prayers were said for members of our Discovering Christ Church family.
2. The Leadership Team received an update on the work of the Pastoral Search Committee. Berni Geoghan, the committee chair, asked for prayer as the committee continues to receive and evaluate information about potential candidates for the lead pastor position at DCC.
3. The Leadership Team encourages as many of our congregation members as possible to plan on attending the ARC annual gathering in August. Here is a link for more information and the link to register:  
<https://arc21.org/gathering>
4. The Leadership Team is thankful for your generous tithes and offerings. We discussed the current financial situation at DCC and in the spirit of transparency and open communication, here is the update for the end of the first quarter of 2026.
  - The 2026 budget for giving to the general fund is \$7,243 per week, with a total for the year of \$376,636. [approved last December]
  - The general fund budget for the end of the first quarter is: \$94,160.
  - In the first quarter of 2026 (Jan. -Mar.) the average giving was \$5,781 per week, and the total amount given to the General Fund at the end of the first quarter is: \$75,158.
  - Spending for the first quarter was \$79,376 leaving the general fund balance at a negative (\$4,217) compared to the 2026 budget. The actual general fund balance is negative (\$16,753), because the balance on January 1, 2026 was a negative (\$12,518).
  - Therefore, giving to the general fund for the rest of 2026 needs to be \$7,730 per week to meet the year end general fund budget. That's an increase to the budget of \$487 per week. **The giving to the general fund for the rest of 2026 needs to be \$8,051 per week for the general fund to break even at \$0.00 against the budget on 12/31/2026.** That's an increase to the budget of \$808 per week.
  - For reference the average giving per week was: \$4,427 in January, \$7,353 in February, \$5,608 in March
  - The unfortunate reality is that if we continue to come up short of the budget, cost cutting needs to be done and soon. The deacons are working on this now.
  - Please be in prayer about this and continue to be faithful with your gifts and offerings.

\*\* If you have any questions about these numbers, please contact Brad Vander Wall or Steve Cleveland

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**Financial Summary Year-to-Date**

March 31, 2026

	<b>Beginning Balance 1-1-2026</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Ending Balance 3-31-26</b>
<b>General Fund</b>	<b>(-12,518)</b>	\$75,158	\$79,376	<b>\$(-16,736)</b>
<b>Missions &amp; Outreach Fund</b>	\$6,437	\$2,415	\$6,875	\$1,977
<b>Capital Improvement Fund</b>	\$42,745	\$1,166	\$--	\$43,911