

**Serving Jesus Christ
in the Outaouais since 1842**



Christ Church, Aylmer

Our Mission

**To be a welcoming community, joyfully worshipping the
Lord, growing in faith, caring for each other,
and reaching out to the world God loves!**

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Our History

Christ Church in the Aylmer sector of Gatineau, Québec, is situated at the corner of avenue Frank-Robinson and rue Symmes, one block north of rue Principale. This historic parish church sits on property donated by Charles Symmes in 1840. The parish itself was formed in 1842 at the direction of Bishop Mountain, Bishop of Québec. The church was completed in 1845 built of stone quarried from the farm of John Egan (now Glenwood Plaza).

This picturesque church, with an interior constructed of white pine, the primary local lumber product in the early nineteenth century, harbours a small but vibrant Christian community supporting the Anglican tradition.

Please visit our website at www.christchurchaylmer.ca

What is Our Mission?

Describing our mission at Christ Church and what we do to achieve it, helps us and others to understand "what we are all about" as a parish community.

It explains what we are involved in at the level of our individual ministries. It estimates how much of our treasures are allocated to each core area of ministry. As important, it also estimates how much time of our volunteers is spent on these ministries and what talents we apply to them.

The time and talents of our volunteers who support the ministries of Parish Management are shown with that element of our vision. Their related costs are distributed over the other core vision elements.

Worship

We envision Christ Church, Aylmer, upholding the biblical teachings of our Lord Jesus Christ and the Holy Sacraments as the foundation of our faith journey; we envision a church in which our music and worship glorifies God and builds us up, within the rich and diverse heritage of the Anglican liturgy.

This core area includes the following ministries:

- Clergy and guest preachers
- Organist and Choir
- Lay Assistants and Servers
- "Spirit Winds" Music Group
- Altar Guild
- Readers
- Welcoming and Greeting
- Prayers of the People (Intercessors)
- Special services like the Blessing of the Animals

Time: 2,200 hours

Treasures in 2006: \$22,300

Christian Education

We envision our church dedicated to the education of its children and adults within a nurturing community that maximizes our spiritual, intellectual, social and emotional development as God's people.

This core area includes the following ministries;

- Church school "*Kids Connect*"
- Marriage, baptism and confirmation preparation
- Nursery
- Evening Bible Study
- Support to Vacation Bible School
- Support to Cursillo

Time: 1,100 hours

Treasures in 2006: \$9,800

Stewardship

We envision our church as one in which the Ministry of Stewardship is at the centre of Parish life, inspiring parishioners to offer their time, talents and treasure to God through the church, and to do so with thankful and generous hearts.

Ministry in this core area in 2006 includes:

- Stewardship Committee
- Communications Committee
- Parish website (www.christchurchaylmer.ca)
- Newsletter
- Annual Stewardship Campaign
- Maintenance of Members' Roll
- Training of Parish Leaders
- Welcoming and Integrating Newcomers
- Maintenance of "Christ Church: Our Mission"

Time: 1,000 hours

Treasures in 2006: \$7,600

Pastoral Care

We envision our church as one in which our members minister to one another and to the needs of people in the community; especially the homebound and those in care facilities.

In 2006 this core area includes the following ministries:

- Chaplaincy (Clergy and Lay)
- Counselling
- Hospital and Home Visits
- Joys and Sorrows
- Support Groups
- Prayer Groups
- Incumbent's Letters

Time: 900 hours

Treasures in 2006: \$11,900

Outreach

We envision our church reaching out with God's love to meet local and global needs, finding hurts and healing them both through direct action and in partnership with ecumenical, community and international bodies.

Projects and activities we support in 2006 in this core area include:

- Hall Rental to Community Groups below cost (such as Alcoholic Anonymous of Aylmer, Aylmer Friendship Club, Girl Guides)
- Children's Playgroup
- Centre alimentaire Aylmer et Le Jardin collectif
- St. Vincent de Paul et La Guignolée
- The Christmas Float and the "Way of the Cross"
- Bellevue Cemetery Board of Directors
- Residential Schools Settlement Fund
- Support to Diocesan programs

Time: 500 hours

Treasures for 2006: \$19,100

Hospitality, Fellowship and Growth

We envision our church being welcoming, accepting and compassionate in our relationships and in our care for others; we envision a church that focuses on ministry with newcomers to Aylmer and embraces our rapidly changing bilingual, multicultural society.

In 2006 this core area includes:

- Hospitality after Sunday worship service at "Coffee Hour"
- Fellowship and fundraising events, such as
 - Shrove Tuesday Supper; Dinner and Silent Auction; Pot lucks
 - Spring Plant and Yard Sale
 - Parish Picnic
 - Strawberry Social
 - Fall Bazaar

Time: 800 hours

Treasures for 2006: \$12,900

Parish Management

We envision a church in which competent individuals support the main elements of our collective mission efficiently, effectively and lovingly.

Corporate Management

- Meetings of the Corporation
- Parish Council and Vestry
- Committee Meetings

Property Management

- Grounds maintenance
- Building maintenance (Church, Hall, Rectory)
- Building security

Office Management

- Weekly bulletin and preparation for worship
- Calling and Mailing
- Preparation for funerals
- General office filing
- Personnel security

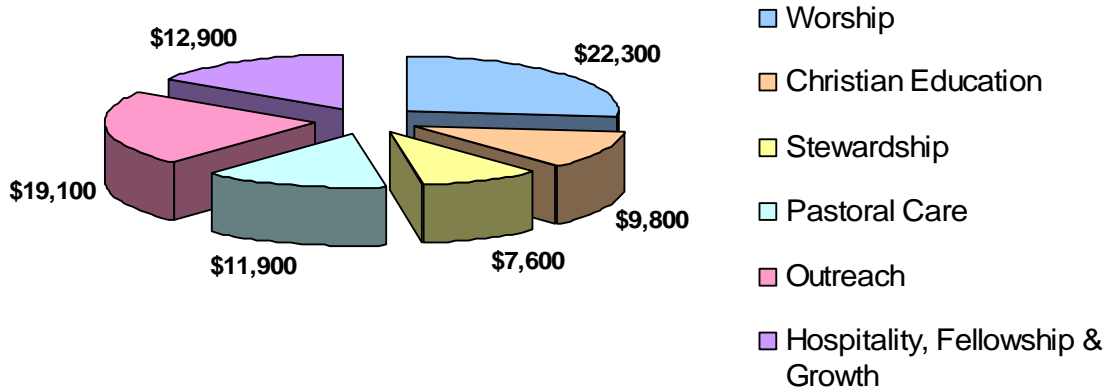
Financial Management

- Banking Arrangements (incl. collections and deposits)
- Accounting and Reporting
- Audit

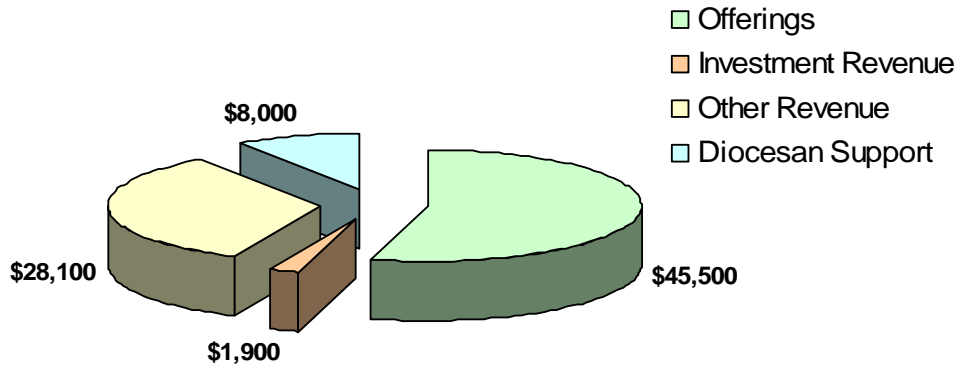
Time: 2,000 hours

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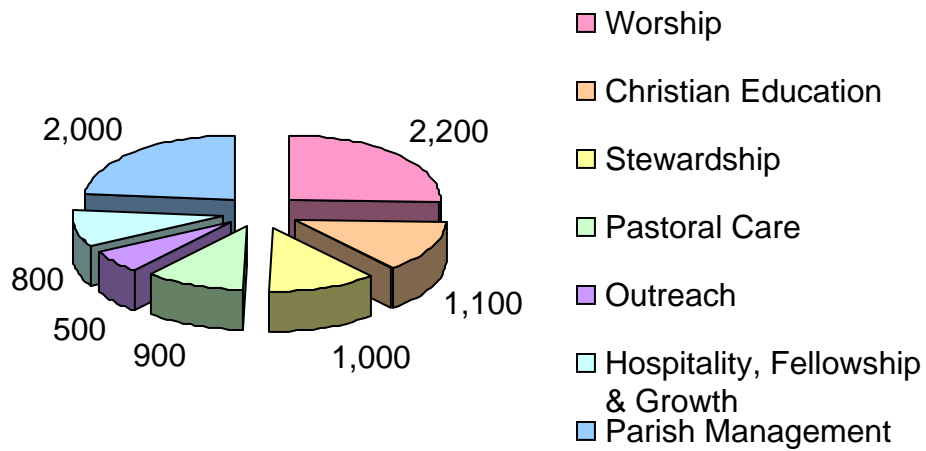
Budgeted Application of Funds for Christ Church, Aylmer in 2006



Budgeted Sources of Funds for Christ Church, Aylmer in 2006



Estimated Volunteer hours by Vision element in 2006



Total Volunteer Hours
8,500