

161 YEARS YOUNG

2019 was a year of many transitions for Woodland. Our church family stepped up in a big way and raised an additional \$17,000 for the restoration of our sanctuary ceiling. We celebrated the ordination of Meredith Cox, commissioned Jenny Cook to her seminary studies, and Travis and Kendra Chavis to their new church planting ministry. We said goodbye to five hub members, to our beloved music director Jeff Moles, and celebrated the lives of two of our cherished members, Bill Osborne and Heidi Hall.

This year's annual report is designed to provide a picture of the Woodland family as we move into 2020. In order to help those who contribute so generously know how their gifts are being invested, we want to show how much Woodland's modest budget has accomplished in 2019.



2019 IN REVIEW

- Completed Phase 1 of our sanctuary repair and restoration
- Welcomed a dedicated hub member to lead the weekly Children's Ministry
- Welcomed five new young adults to the East Nashville Training Hub.
- Commissioned five hub members to a variety of ministries
- Welcomed Ashtanga Yoga in sharing the Woodland space
- Will Celebrate 12 New Members
- Welcomed over 270 visitors to our worship service



WORSHIP

Worship has always been central to the life and work of Woodland. It is not surprising, then, that a significant portion of our budget (35%) each year is invested in worship in the following ways:

- The care and repair of our sanctuary
- New creative worship expressions
 - Jazz Worship on Mardi Gras Sunday
 - Celtic Worship the Sunday after Easter
 - Mid Summer Bluegrass Worship
- The training hub members who preach, prepare liturgy, and print bulletins each week
- Our music ministry, including special musicians, the Woodland Vocal Ensemble, and a dedicated musician for our church.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Over 30% of the Woodland budget each year is invested in serving our community and neighborhood by

- Making our facility available for 8 recovery groups each week and providing a home for our local community theater to practice for upcoming shows.
- Sponsoring Saturday Night Suppers monthly and Room in the Inn during the colder months of the year
- Opening our doors and building long-term relationships with local small business partners to provide opportunities for the surrounding community ranging from yoga to spiritual reflection sessions.

We increased our building use in 2019!

4,334

hours in 2019 was used for programs that bless our community beyond Woodland



SPOTLIGHT MOMENT

"Woodland and the training hub allowed me to explore congregational leadership in bold and creative ways. Whether preaching or crafting liturgies, I was given the space to be myself and empowered to pursue new forms of ministry. Most importantly, Woodland and the training hub were a community and support system for me when I most certainly needed it—I will always be thankful for this family."

- Jenny Cook
Vanderbilt M.Div Student
2017-2019 East Nashville Hub Member

HOSPITALITY

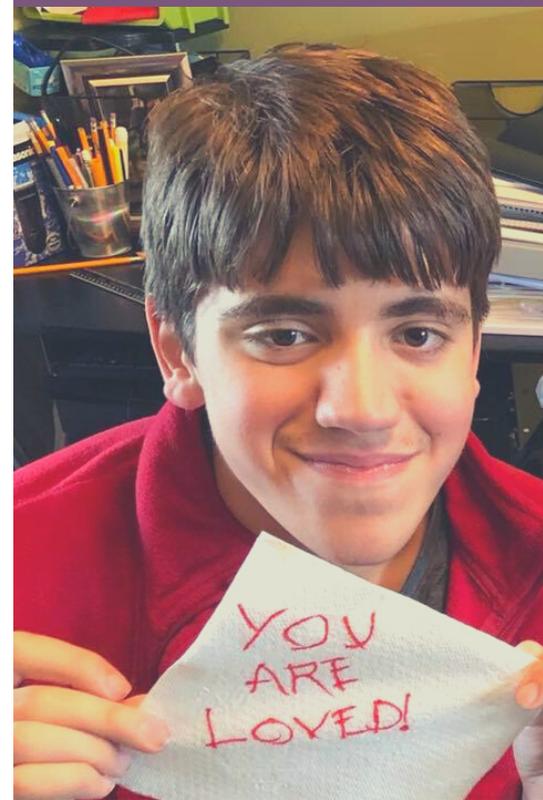
16% of our budget is invested in helping Woodland express its high value of inclusivity and welcome through:

- A growing web and social media presence for our church, with a number of first time visitors reporting that they came to Woodland by finding us online
- Personal invitations, welcoming processes, and Woodland 101 for those interested in membership
- Weekly out-to-lunch gatherings after worship and Woodland About Town events that create natural ways for new people to connect.

DISCIPLESHIP / YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

One of the most exciting new areas of ministry for Woodland has been in the area of spiritual formation:

- This year has been a wonderful season of transition for our Woodland Young Adults, commissioned three young adults into the various fields of ministry.
- We continue our focus on learning as a community during our morning book study sessions, challenging our understanding of our faith and one another.
- Our Young Adult meetups continue to grow, allowing room for the formation of deep relationships outside of the four walls of the church.



2019 at a Glance

- Facilities: \$49,540
- Personnel: \$44,520
- Loan Payment: \$13,280
- Program | Administration: \$28,330
- Presbytery Contribution: \$6,000
- We also hope to complete Phase 2 of our Raise the Roof campaign and raise an additional \$15,000 for the painting of the sanctuary and plaster repair and painting around the Gartland entrance

STEPS IN 2020

Woodland 2020 BUDGET

Anticipated Income

- Regular Giving.....\$83,000
- Building Fund: Paying Down Loan.....\$15,000
- Space Sharing.....\$46,200
- TOTAL Income.....\$150,900**

Anticipated Expenses

- Personnel.....\$49,760
- Program Budget.....\$11,350
- Facilities.....\$47,650
- Finance & Admin..... \$16,690
- Presbytery Commitment: \$6,000
- Loan Payment: \$13,290
- TOTAL Expenses.....\$144,740**

You can participate in this year's stewardship effort online or by completing a 2020 pledge card, available in the pew racks and online at <https://woodlandnash.org/2020-commitment/>