- Make Gift Aid happen
- Break even!

To fulfil this vision, each week we will spend:

£658	on our share of clergy costs:		
	stipend, housing, training etc		
£108	on our building: insurance, heat,		
	light etc		
£125	on worship and ministry: for our		
	congregation and wider		
	community, including our hall		
£30	On ministry plans for this year		

each week we will need:

£473	from regular congregational giving		
£240	from HMRC for Gift Aided giving		
	and donations		
£31	from fees: weddings, funerals etc		
£177	from the hall, our fundraising and		
	other income streams		

Thank you for helping to make this happen!

There is no one, easy answer for everyone. We are called to love God and our neighbour and our giving is an expression of that love.

This leaflet gives some clear guidance and there are very practical things we can do:

- increase our giving to meet our church's needs
- **join** the planned giving scheme with weekly envelopes or a standing order
- optimise our giving using Gift Aid if we pay tax
- make a legacy gift when we plan for the future of those we love and care for
- give proportionately a percentage of our income given to fund ministry

But at the end of the day how much to give is a thoughtful, prayerful decision only you can make. Love is generous, love is kind and love is selfless - we see that in all God gives to us; how will we respond?



Please think and pray about your response

All Saints' Church Appley Bridge



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how much?

How do we decide how much to give?

our church

Our giving sustains our church **building**, a sacred place dedicated to worship, prayer and witness.

Our giving sustains our **clergy**, here and across our diocese and helps train new clergy.

Our giving sustains our **ministry**, measured by every:

sick person visited

confirmation course run
school assembly taken
bereaved family comforted
baptism celebrated
sermon preached
Eucharist celebrated
person shown the love of Christ through
our care, comfort and compassion

Our giving sustains **mission** both here in the UK and overseas for people we may never meet but to whom we are able to give practical support through our ministry of giving.

This ministry
not only supplies
the needs of the saints
but overflows
with many thanksgivings to God

our challenge

To cultivate what St Paul calls the **grace of giving** we need to think carefully about all we receive from God and prayerfully review our giving.

Our church needs £921 per week in 2019 to sustain our building and clergy, our ministry and mission. Our current shortfall is £125.

To bridge our income gap and for our ministry to flourish we need the **grace of giving**.

The following table gives an example of how we can achieve this:

This many people	increasing	equals this much extra		
rins many people	by	income		
7	£1	£7		
13	£2	£26		
11	£3	£33		
6	£4	£24		
4	£5 £20			
3	£6	£18		
4	£7	£14		
To meet our target of £125				

But just as you excel in everything ...
see that you also excel in
this grace of giving 2

Cor 8:7

our choices

Our church planned giving scheme has **54** members.

Is it time to join the envelope scheme or move to a standing order?

The Gift Aid scheme has **43** tax payers contributing.

Is it time to join?

Giving to God's work through the church should be a priority.

Is it time to increase?

There are a number of people giving proportionately as the bible teaches.

Is it time to give a percentage of what we receive?

Proportionate giving table							
Weekly	Giving (£)						
income	1%	2%	5%	10%			
£100	1	2	5	10			
£150	1.50	3	7.50	15			
£250	2.50	5	12.50	25			
£480	4.80	9.60	24	48			

This is a ministry for everyone – 'each according to your means'

2 Cor 8:11

In the coming year we hope to:

- Fully meet our wider obligations in support of Vision 2026
- Reorganise and improve the vestry in church

2 Cor 9:12