# THREE EASY STEPS <br> To Compute the Amount of your Pledge 

| Write down the amount of your expected income. |  |
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|  | It doesn't matter whether you use before-tax or after, you decide. If you <br> don't know how much your income will be for the coming year, make a <br> guess. Perhaps start with your current year's income. Don't worry too <br> much about this number. If your circumstances change, you can always <br> adjust the amount of your pledge - up or down! |
|  | Pick a percentage <br> Are you new to the idea of proportional giving? Try using the national <br> average of 2.6\%. Or if you have been giving for awhile, take last year's <br> percentage and try adding 1\% to it. The biblical standard of 10\% (the <br> tithe) is referenced more than 60 times in the bible and is taught as the <br> minimum standard to strive for in the Episcopal Church. A handy chart <br> is provided for your use on the reverse of this sheet. |
|  | Multiply <br> Multiply your income by the percentage you select. This is your pledge <br> for the coming year. If you want to pay in weekly installments, divide <br> your total by 52, or if you wish to pay monthly, divide by 12. |

These questions are simply for your reflection as you pray over your decision:

* How do you feel about your anticipated pledge?
* Is it in proportion to the importance of God in your life?
* Is it in proportion to the importance of St. Peter's in your life?
* How is it in proportion to the other ways you spend money?


## Pledge as Percentage of Income and Number of Payments

Annual Income A 2.6\% Pledge (National Average) Would Be

|  | Annual Pledge | Paid Monthly | Paid Weekly |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \$20,000 | \$520 | \$43 | \$10 |
| \$25,000 | \$650 | \$54 | \$13 |
| \$30,000 | \$780 | \$65 | \$15 |
| \$35,000 | \$910 | \$76 | \$18 |
| \$40,000 | \$1,040 | \$87 | \$20 |
| \$50,000 | \$1,300 | \$108 | \$25 |
| \$60,000 | \$1,560 | \$130 | \$30 |
| \$75,000 | \$1,950 | \$163 | \$38 |
| \$100,000 | \$2,600 | \$217 | \$50 |
| \$150,000 | \$3,900 | \$325 | \$75 |
| \$200,000 | \$5,200 | \$433 | \$100 |
| Annual Income |  | A 5\% Pledge (Halfway to the Tithe) Would Be |  |
|  | Annual Pledge | Paid Monthly | Paid Weekly |
| \$20,000 | \$1,000 | \$83 | \$19 |
| \$25,000 | \$1,250 | \$104 | \$24 |
| \$30,000 | \$1,500 | \$125 | \$29 |
| \$35,000 | \$1,750 | \$146 | \$34 |
| \$40,000 | \$2,000 | \$167 | \$38 |
| \$50,000 | \$2,500 | \$208 | \$48 |
| \$60,000 | \$3,000 | \$250 | \$58 |
| \$75,000 | \$3,750 | \$313 | \$72 |
| \$100,000 | \$5,000 | \$417 | \$96 |
| \$150,000 | \$7,500 | \$625 | \$144 |
| \$200,000 | \$10,000 | \$833 | \$192 |
| Annual Income |  |  | A Full Tithe (10\%) Would Be |
|  | Annual Pledge | Paid Monthly | Paid Weekly |
| \$20,000 | \$2,000.00 | \$167 | \$38 |
| \$25,000 | \$2,500.00 | \$208 | \$48 |
| \$30,000 | \$3,000.00 | \$250 | \$58 |
| \$35,000 | \$3,500.00 | \$292 | \$67 |
| \$40,000 | \$4,000.00 | \$333 | \$77 |
| \$50,000 | \$5,000.00 | \$417 | \$96 |
| \$60,000 | \$6,000.00 | \$500 | \$115 |
| \$75,000 | \$7,500.00 | \$625 | \$144 |
| \$100,000 | \$10,000.00 | \$833 | \$192 |
| \$150,000 | \$15,000.00 | \$1,250 | \$288 |
| \$200,000 | \$20,000.00 | \$1667 | \$385 |

