



Episcopal House of Prayer

Annual Report

2022



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A New Phase at the House

Thanks to you, our community, we've had a phenomenal year...and we're looking forward to an exciting year ahead.

In 2019, we created a five-year plan for the years 2020-2025, with the intention of growing the House, widening our circle of participation, and making our space and programming more accessible, affordable, and approachable to more people than ever before.

Halfway through this five-year period, we're already seeing results (in spite of the pandemic!). This year, we offered a robust schedule of retreats. Our Awakening Hearts fundraising campaign was a huge success. We launched a brand new website and a new, user-friendly system for space rentals.

Our community is growing, and our organization is too! In late 2021, we hired a part-time Community Engagement Specialist, and in 2022 we hired a part-time Hospitality Manager. With our increased capacity, we're excited to expand programming and outreach.

To those of you who have volunteered at the House, donated, prayed in our oratory, participated in a retreat, engaged online: thank you. For those who have yet to cross the threshold: you're invited!

Peace,
Christine Luna Munger



Spirituality in Community

From evening prayer gatherings to weeklong retreats, from longtime participants to new faces, 2022 was filled with prayer, learning, and sacred community.

23

Retreats and
workshops

208

Prayer sits and
gatherings

154

Unique people at
EHoP events

"I didn't think it was possible that a 24-hour retreat could be so relaxing and restorative. It felt much more like several days. From the moment I arrived until the moment I left I felt immersed in loving care."

-2022 retreat participant



Deepening Practice

This year, we reaffirmed our commitment to creating and sharing meaningful, accessible resources for people at all points on the contemplative journey.

In 2022 we built a new website, re-launched our monthly newsletters, and introduced two new weekly series of contemplative teachings.

- **The Prayer Thread** is a collection of teachings and practical prayer prompts designed to offer support on the contemplative path.
- **Awakening to Wholeness** is a series of prompts, reflections, and teachings about how holding the tension of opposites can help us to heal division.

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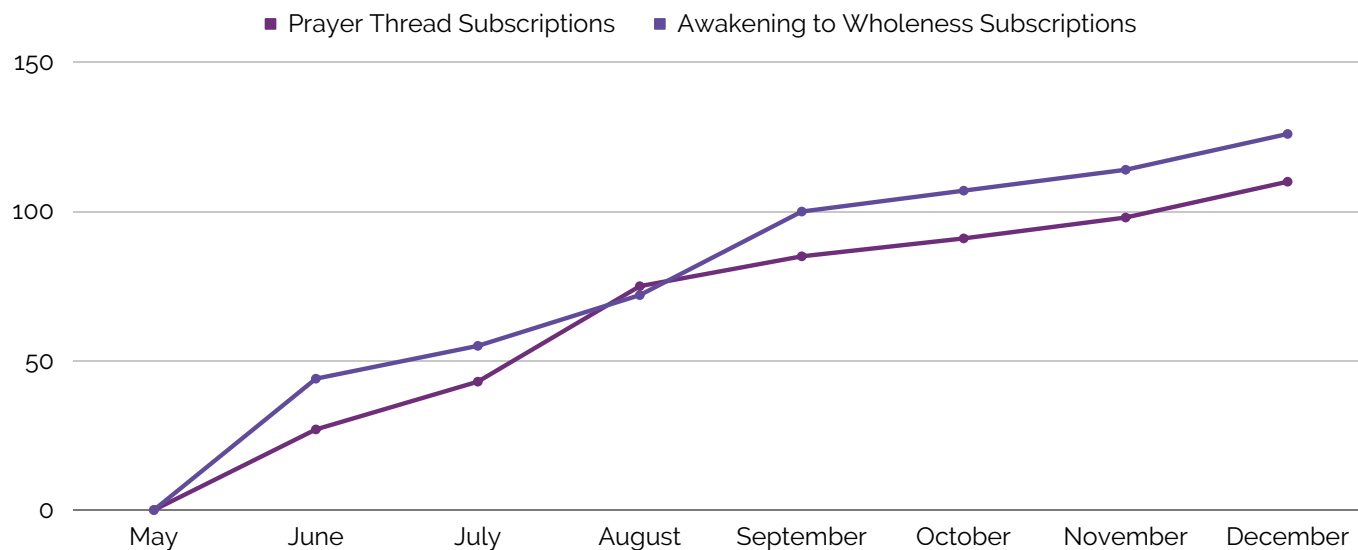
Prayer Thread
teachings

33

Awakening to
Wholeness
teachings

230%

Subscriber growth
over 2022

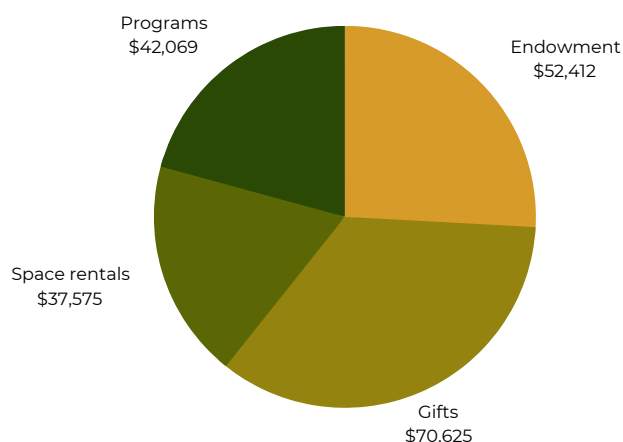


Sustaining Connection

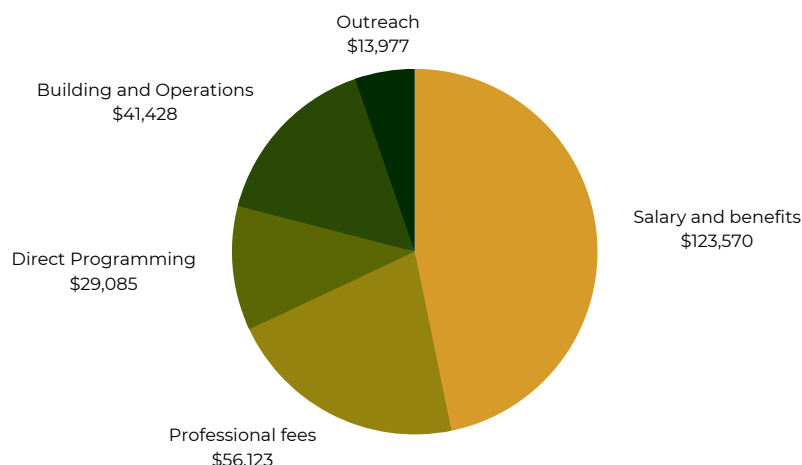
We're grateful to the community that has helped us to weather the pandemic years of flux and instability. Here's a snapshot of the financial health of EHoP in 2022.

During 2022, the House of Prayer worked to rebuild—and also expand—our capacity. Retreats began filling up again, rental groups returned to the House (the space was rented for **106 nights** this year!), and **121 people** supported us with donations to our general fund, annual appeal, or Bishop Anderson Scholarship fund.

2022 Income



2022 Expenditures

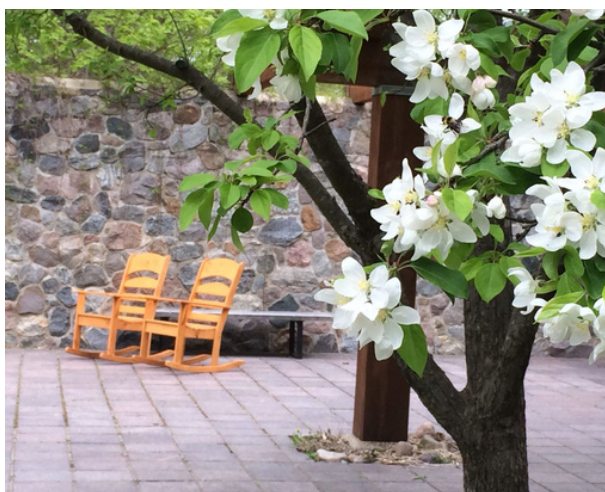


Full financial report available: directorhouseprayer@csbsju.edu.

Widening the Circle

Our fundraising efforts in 2022 not only helped support our regular programming and operations, but also laid a solid foundation for growth in the years to come.

In addition to our regular annual appeal, we also raised a special fund, Awakening Hearts, to be used from 2023-2026 to build capacity, offer more programming, and make the contemplative path more accessible to more people. Thank you to the generous donors who helped us raise over \$250,000 in the Awakening Hearts Campaign.



Awakening Hearts Campaign Donors

Barry Fernald
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Mary Zwack
Maryjude Hoeffel
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Nelson Coffey
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Tom Darnall

INTRO TO SACRED MUSIC OF THE
ABRAHAMIC FAITHS (ONLINE)
Yuval Ron

CHANTING THE PSALMS: A DAY OF CHANT
WITH EHOP
Gary Barrett

EL DISCERNIR: UN LLAMADO A BUSCAR Y
RESPONDER A DIOS
Christine Luna Munger

LIVING REVISION: WRITING FOR
TRANSFORMATION
Elizabeth Jarrett Andrew

TO BE WILD AT HEART: LOCATING YOUR
IDENTITY IN WHOLENESS
Julie Ann Stevens

KENOSIS
Ward Bauman and Christine Luna Munger

TO GROUND PAIN IN LOVE: EXPLORING
SUFFERING IN WHOLENESS
Julie Ann Stevens

LOVE AT THE CENTER
Rabbi Shefa Gold

THE WAY OF THE HEART: AN
INTERSPIRITUAL EXPLORATION
Rev. Matthew Wright

COME AWAY WEEKEND
Jim and Kathy Wiant

DEEPENING YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF
THE ENNEAGRAM
Marcia Hyatt and Mary Ellen Ashcroft

"The Episcopal House of Prayer is a marvelous hidden gem.

The architecture, natural setting, welcoming hospitality, teaching, and silence all evoke a deep sense of the sacred. In this stress-filled world, the Episcopal House of Prayer is very good medicine."

-Rex Spear, 2022 retreat participant

Our Mission is to assist in the ongoing work of discerning God's voice, both within ourselves and in the world; provide guidance in the search for wisdom; teach all forms of contemplative prayer; offer training in the inner work of the spiritual life.

The Vision of the Episcopal House of Prayer is to be a contemplative ministry of spiritual transformation, grounded in the Christian tradition, in the practice of Benedictine hospitality, reaching out and welcoming all.