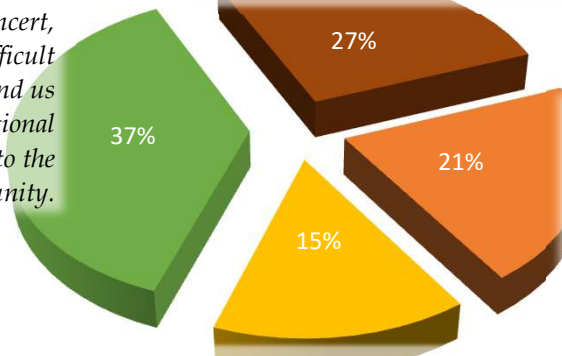


## 2017-18 BUDGETED EXPENSES: \$205,133

*OUR BELOVED COMMUNITY is nurtured by being together in fellowship following Sunday services, joining together to learn, being part of a musical group or in the audience for a concert, providing pastoral care through difficult times. These build the ties that bind us together in community. Congregational membership in the UUA binds us to the larger Unitarian Universalist community.*

*SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES are central to the MSUS community, providing us with a time for reflection and inspiration, a time to recharge our spirits, a time to share life's joys and sorrows. We cherish the aspects of our Sunday Services that you don't find just anywhere: weekly special music by congregants or guests, weekly Stories For All Ages, youth led intergenerational services and more recently, inviting our youngest children to participate as chalice lighters.*

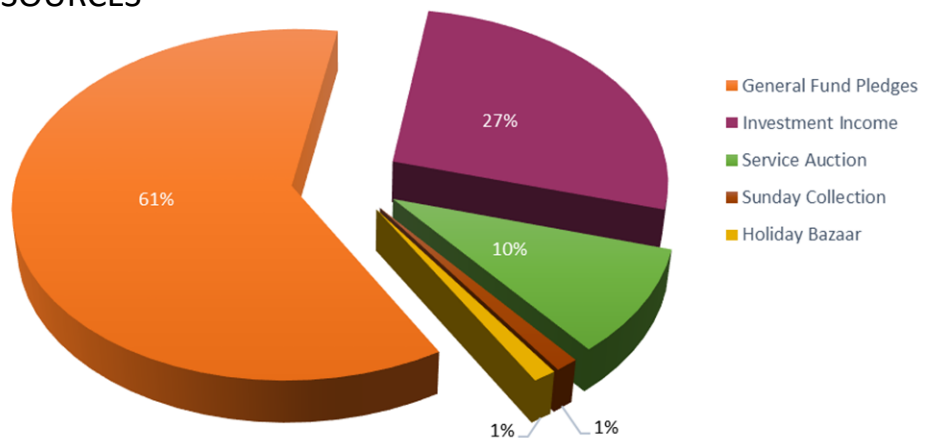


*YOUTH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION is thriving at MSUS with 30 students registered. We have a Coming of Age program for our youth and weekly religious education classes for the younger children. This year a series of intergenerational "Spiritual Practice Saturdays" has been a popular learning opportunity for youth and adults.*

*SERVING BEYOND OUR WALLS has always been part of MSUS activities. We deliver Meals on Wheels and cook and serve meals for Alexandra House. We provide backpacks filled with school supplies to Fridley students, and holiday meals to Fridley residents in need. Many in our congregation have provided steady support to Springbrook Nature Center. The MSUS band joins the fun in the Fridley 49er Days parade. We collect donations for SACA, Alexandra House and others. About 30 people participated in our recent Day of Service.*

*Expenses within each program area include portions of minister and staff compensation, facility maintenance and utility costs, childcare costs, and costs for supplies specific to each category. Contact Katie or Byron Johnson, or Chad Snyder for a line item budget if you are interested.*

## 2017-18 BUDGET INCOME SOURCES



*We are fortunate to have a significant amount of investment income available to supplement our pledge income. However, we need an unusually high amount of our investment income this year. Based on last year's giving, this budget projects that pledges will cover only 61% of our expenses, and draws on investment income for 27% of our budget needs. We must strengthen our financial situation by increasing the percentage of pledge income compared to investment income. That will allow us to deploy our investment income for long term initiatives rather than using it for day-to-day operating expenses.*