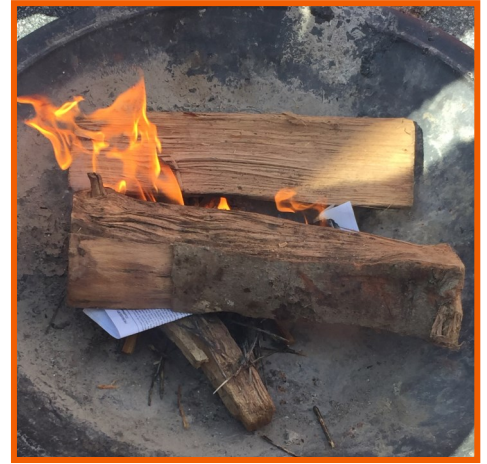


# STRIKING A MATCH FOR BURNING THE MORTGAGE

God's abundance is constantly flowing into our lives; sometimes we are able to see it more clearly than others. This month, highlighted by our mortgage drive, God's abundance is *incredibly* visible. And as we look, we are seeing how that abundance multiplies when we live into it.



This past week, our Stewardship and Outreach Committees joined Council in making their commitments to this drive. Several other households were motivated to go ahead and bring checks to the church. And still other households have been faithfully giving above and beyond toward our debt reduction for years. All of these gifts have added up, and we have already **nearly reached our original matching goal of \$25,000!**

Our original hope was to pay off the mortgage by the end of 2022. We may have underestimated just how ready Grace is for this mortgage to be paid off! **Thanks to the incredible generosity of this congregation, we can now look toward paying off the mortgage even sooner; perhaps as soon as this September!** And each month we don't have to pay against the mortgage, we free \$4,600 for ministry.

**Excited by the generous response we've already had,  
the Grace matching household has increased their gift:  
*Every commitment will be matched dollar for dollar  
until the mortgage is PAID IN FULL!***

Once we reach the \$25,000 match, we will be just \$16,000 away from fully paying off our mortgage. This goal is within sight! God's abundance is pouring through Grace. We are excited to see where it will lead us in the coming months, and we look forward to taking part in what God has in store.

**Next Sunday, July 24th, we will invite all Grace households join in this generosity and make your commitments toward the Striking a Match for Burning the Mortgage drive!**

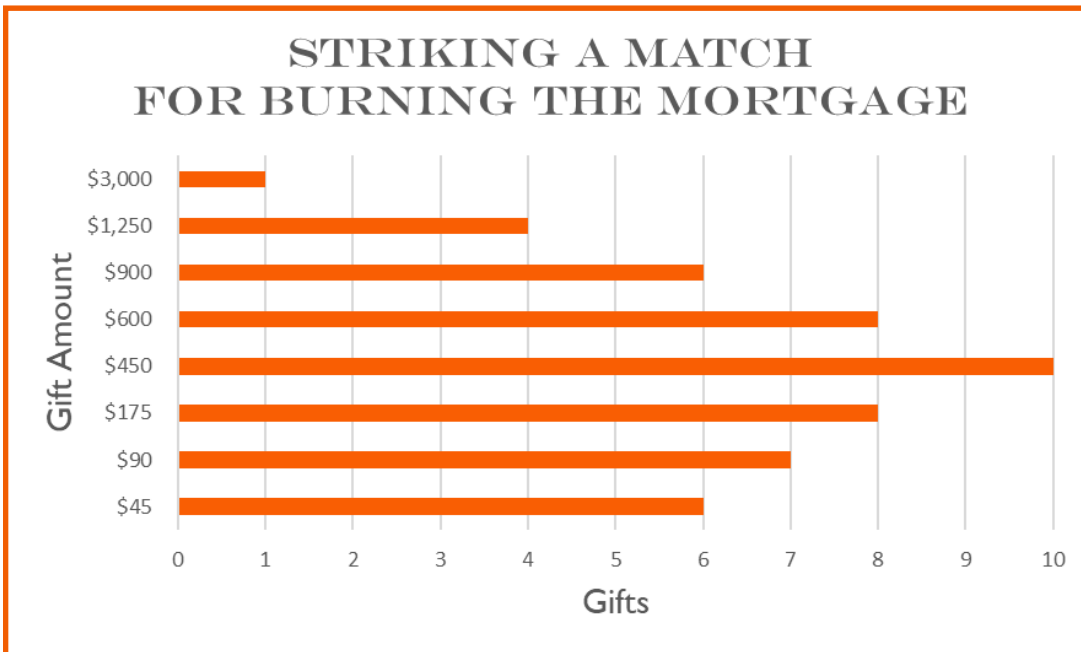
We will make our commitments together in worship, and on July 31st, we will celebrate the abundant generosity of this congregation and where we are heading next.

**Thank you for considering how God is calling you to take part in *striking a match for burning the mortgage!***

# Details, Questions, Answers

## How might we pay off our mortgage in full?

This chart shows how gifts of all sizes can come together to meet our goal



## How do I make my commitment?

There will be commitment cards in the pews next Sunday.

Cards will also be available in the church office this week if you'd like to pick one up.

If you'd like to make your commitment beforehand, or if you'll be away next Sunday, a link to the digital commitment card will be in this week's enews and on the Grace website.

## When do I give my gift?

You can give your gift when you make your commitment if you wish! If not, ***we're asking that if possible, commitments be fulfilled by August 31st.*** This allows us to pay against the principal quickly and reduce our total interest costs. If more time is needed to fulfill your commitment, there will be a place to indicate so when you make your commitment.

## How do I give my gift?

Your gift can be given in several ways, much like your offering. These include:

- + Cash
- + Check
- + On Realm through your Giving page
- + The GIVE page on Grace's website (select Property Debt Reduction)
- + Direct transfer from your bank
- + Direct contribution from an IRA

## When do we celebrate?

We will celebrate together on July 31st, during our 5th Sunday worship service at 10am!

***Thank you for considering how God is calling you to take part in striking a match for burning the mortgage!***