

### **Why do a Capital Campaign?**

The purpose of the "Growing Grace Fully" campaign is to provide our church the finances to reduce our debt, lower our monthly operating costs, and repair and improve our worship space. We envision a more sacred, inviting and functioning building into which we can move our offices (which will produce substantial monthly savings). Once some of these burdens are removed, we can get on with the more important mission of growth the church and building God's kingdom.

### **Is this really the right time for a Capital Campaign?**

Our vestry and staff are fully in support of the need to take the steps to move Grace forward as a church. Of course, there are challenges with the current economic climate. Data indicates giving to churches in America has not decreased since 2008 as it has to other charities and non-profit organizations. Also, national giving to church capital campaigns has not decreased either. This is a vital time in the life of our church. We want to solidify the foundation that God has been building the past years and move forward in His work. It is our hope that each person prayerfully find a way to participate in this campaign, even if your financial situation is not the best.

### **What is our project?**

We acquired a building that needs repair, and we are fully responsible for its mortgage. We have no source of outside support. It's just us. We want to repair some ongoing problems in our facility, plus move our offices into the building. We also want to pay down the debt on the mortgage, further lowering our monthly costs. These savings will allow us to keep our current staff and operate more freely in growing Grace Church and meeting the needs of our people and the community

### **What are the Capital Campaign goals?**

#### **Our building improvement goal for this campaign is to renovate the Worship Center by:**

- Adding a parlor/classroom area
- Consolidating the church offices
- Providing an area for children's ministry
- Extending our building over the existing deck

#### **Additional enhancements would include:**

- Making improvements to the stage
- Having a prominent and visible cross
- Renovating and decorating the lobby
- Repairing leaks in the roof
- Repairing or replacing A/C units throughout the facility

#### **Our financial goals for this campaign are:**

**Foundation Goal: \$250,000**

**Challenge Goal: \$600,000**

**Miracle Goal: \$1,000,000**

#### **When does the Capital Campaign begin?**

During October and November we will be explaining the campaign, which will culminate in a celebration on November 13. We are asking for estimates of giving/pledges above your normal giving for the next three years.

### **Why hire an outside consultant?**

A Capital Campaign is a large endeavor that requires expertise and a time commitment we do not have available internally. The expenditures we incur in the success of the campaign are minimal. The investment in outside help represents just a few pennies on the dollar for the expert help the vestry is committed to have. Additionally, the consultant we hired has successfully worked with many Anglican Mission Churches. Kent Burklow, the senior consultant, is considered by many churches we spoke with to be one of the premier professionals in the nation. Our church leaders believe this investment makes good sense. These same churches we spoke with said they were able to accomplish much more by hiring

professional help than they ever could have accomplished on their own.

**Can I support the campaign through noncash contributions or other alternatives?**

Yes. Many times, major gifts in the form of investment securities, real estate or other assets are committed in a campaign like ours. In fact, you may benefit from favorable tax treatment for the contribution of appreciable assets. Check with your tax consultant regarding your specific situation.

**What is sacrificial giving?**

It is regular giving and then some, under the leadership of the Holy Spirit. It requires a reassessment of our spending and lifestyle and readjustment of our priorities. Sacrificial giving requires a measure of stewardship above and beyond regular giving. Sacrificial giving costs the giver something. King David demonstrated his understanding of sacrifice in II Samuel 24:24 when he wrote, "I will not offer as a sacrifice to God that which costs me nothing." Pray about what you might give up so that something greater in the kingdom of God can be accomplished.

**What can I do to help?**

Make prayer your number one priority. Pray individually and corporately that we would be found faithful by God to His call on our lives. Pray that God will use Grace Church to expand His ministry. Pray for this campaign that everything we do in it will be consistent with God's will for our lives, our church, and our community. When asked to participate, prayerfully find a way to step forward and take part. When making an estimate of giving, have faith that God will direct and provide. Catch the vision, become involved, be committed to God's work, and together, we will expand His ministry.

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