

How much are we trying to raise and how long is the contribution period?

We hope to raise \$2.5 million over a three-year giving period. The amount we are able to raise will determine how much we are able to accomplish.

When does the giving period begin and end?

Giving will officially begin in December of this year when you will be asked to make a "first fruit offering" to the campaign. The three-year giving period will conclude in January of 2027, allowing you the opportunity to give over four tax periods.

Can I shift my annual giving to the church to this campaign?

We ask that you don't. This campaign seeks to raise funds over and above our annual operating budget. It's important that we continue to fund our ongoing mission and ministry beyond this campaign. Note that our annual giving emphasis will occur in January 2024, so please keep that in mind as you prayerfully discern what your giving to this campaign will be so as not to hinder your annual giving to the church.

Do some areas of focus have a higher priority than others?

While we hope to be able to fully fund every project in the campaign, should that not become possible, the Session of the church will determine the best path forward.

When will the work begin, and when will it be completed?

Due to the uncertainty of construction costs, we plan to proceed with repairs and renovations as soon as is feasible. There are several next steps, including permits, receiving competitive bids, selecting a firm, and completing the work. To ensure the quality of the firm we contract with and the work that is performed, we have secured an engineering consultant to oversee the bidding, help select the right firm, and watch over the work until it is completed. If all goes well, we hope the work will begin by the middle of next year.

Will the work impact our ongoing ministries?

Though we don't expect any interruption of our ministries, there will certainly be times when scaffolding and other equipment will be present both in and around the building. Should there be a need to move any activities, we are blessed with enough space to accommodate any temporary shifting that may be needed.

How will costs be covered while giving to the campaign comes in?

We are pursuing short-term financing with the Presbyterian Investment and Loan Program (PILP) to be able to appropriately fund the work as giving is received throughout the campaign. A congregational meeting will be called to approve any borrowing we secure.

Is there any remaining debt from the last capital campaign, and will there be more after this one?

The previous capital campaign was a huge success, raising \$2.65 million as a result of your generosity. As of August 31, 2023, our mortgage balance was \$312,996. Church leaders are committed to limiting the scope of this next campaign to match the amount committed. If that means we are unable to fully fund all three focus projects, the Session will determine the best path forward.