

St. Paul Lutheran Church

IMAGINE

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FAQ



*LIVING OUR PROMISE,
CONTINUING THE LEGACY*

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WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE IMAGINE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN?

The IMAGINE Capital Campaign is the outreach to St. Paul's members and friends to financially support our building expansion through Phase I and II (a new elevator, bathrooms, and stairwell) and to seed Family Ministry and new Outreach programs over the next three years (2015-2017).

The target for this campaign is \$500,000.

HOW WILL THE MONEY GENERATED FROM THE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN BE USED?

We have a three year plan in place to fund the building, Family Ministry, and Outreach. As the amount for Family Ministry and Outreach decreases each year, we will begin to pull these ministries into the Church's Annual Spending Plan to fund them through regular giving.

DISBURSEMENT OF CAPITAL CAMPAIGN MONIES OVER 3 YEAR PERIOD

	Building	Family Ministry	Outreach
<i>Year 1</i>	80%	15%	5%
<i>Year 2</i>	85%	12%	3%
<i>Year 3</i>	90%	10%	0%

St. Paul is committed to expanding Family Ministry and Outreach. Family Ministry will focus on ALL life passages, because YOU are a member of a family. We will strive to strengthen families' faith, and help them to reach a place where it is talked about and shared.

In Outreach, St. Paul is focused on expanding and developing the program. The key three points in developing Outreach is to expand **LOCALLY**, **NATIONALLY**, and **GLOBALLY**. This can be more charity drives, mission trips, and offering our resources and gifts to the international community. **IMAGINE** the possibilities!

WHY ARE THE BUILDING CHANGES NEEDED?

Our church building has been a landmark of the Jefferson Community for well over 150 years, and some of our spaces show that! The upgrades and repairs to the building will make the building safer, more comfortable, brought up to code, and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant. The renovations and expansion will enable St. Paul to share our resources and love of Christ with the congregation and community.

WHAT CHANGES WILL BE MADE TO THE CHURCH?

In our current campaign, we will construct an **Elevator Addition** (*Phase 1*) and **Stair and Restroom Addition** (*Phase 2*). What is the significance of these renovations? A new elevator will include a new entry to the Pathway Room and adequate restroom facilities, ALL of which will be ADA compliant. The elevator will be large enough to accommodate the disabled and people using mobility aids. The new elevator size will also accommodate any and all funerals, ensuring loved ones to be a part of the service IN the sanctuary.

This will result in updating the plumbing and electrical, which will allow for future upgrades to the kitchen to better serve the congregation and community. In our next campaign (*Phase 3*), it is planned for more **Meetings Spaces**: classrooms, offices, and a new nursery and narthex. This will increase opportunities for meetings and activities, to foster creativity and inspire ministries, encourage productivity, and offer learning opportunities—serving both the congregation and the community.

I'VE ALREADY GIVEN MONEY TO THE BUILDING FUND AND PROJECT GROW. HOW MUCH MONEY HAVE WE RAISED, AND WHAT HAS THAT MONEY GIVEN US?

Over the last 2 years Project Grow has raised over \$138,000 through intentional giving (\$63,000) and fundraising (\$75,000). In a short time, these fundraising efforts has:

- Paid for half of the 2012 Roof Repair.
- Tithed to St. Paul about \$5,000.
- Paid \$77,000 toward the estimate for designing, permitting, and contractor documents for Phases 1 and 2.
- The Analysis and experts guiding us to the decision to add on and make necessary repairs.

These efforts have given us a down payment for the project which makes it possible for us to finish the project with a Thrivent loan.

\$500,000 will not cover the building loan for Phase I and II. How will we pay back the loan completely?

Each year, Project Grow has raised an average of \$37,000 in fundraising. In 3 more years we expect to raise another \$100,000 from fundraisers. Our loan for this first effort is \$592,000. The fundraising will continue as a congregation to pay down or raise funds for as long as it takes. We will do what is necessary because we believe that God will provide.

HOW MUCH SHOULD I GIVE?

Every gift is received with thanks. We cannot tell you what to pledge. That should be a prayerful conversation with God and your family members as you consider God's blessings. Please remember that your gift to the IMAGINE Capital Campaign is in addition to your regular weekly giving to the Church's Annual Spending Plan. Please refer to the last page of the IMAGINE Capital Campaign brochure to discern what your most generous gift can be.

What if I can't meet my commitments?

At any time, your commitment may be increased, decreased or extended by notifying Warren Huffer [e-mail: HuffyWL@aol.com, or call 301-639-9465. Even if you move away, please consider honoring your commitment to the IMAGINE Capital Campaign.

How much of the money raised by the IMAGINE Capital Campaign will go to Kairos for the consulting services?

The fees for Kairos have already been paid by a generous donation, so 100% of the money raised by IMAGINE will go towards meeting the goals of the campaign.

What if St. Paul can't meet the goal of \$500,000 in this campaign?

God provides abundantly, beyond what we can ever IMAGINE! Project Grow will continue to bring in money through our regular fundraising events. These events have covered the cost of all things needed to move this project forward and will continue to do so if the Capital Campaign falls short of its goals.

Are there some alternative ways of financial giving?

If you are considering an alternative financial gift of securities, such as stocks, bonds, or a donation from an IRA, please contact Jim Summers [email: jim.summers96@yahoo.com, or call 240-446-1526] and/or a financial advisor before making any decisions.