



QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. WHY ARE WE CALLING THE CAMPAIGN “ABOVE AND BEYOND!”?

The word “Above” refers to our new roof which was installed in 2006, for which we have a mortgage of \$410,000. The “and Beyond!” refers to the many other repairs and improvements to our facilities that will be made possible through funds raised via this capital campaign. From life safety issues (fire alarms and smoke detectors) to electrical repairs, air conditioning and heating replacements, to a narthex refurbishment, these long-awaited enhancements will make our beloved church a place where we can comfortably and proudly welcome others to join in worship, education and ministry. A building is a base camp for ministry in the world.

2. WHAT IS THE GOAL OF THE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN?

We hope to raise \$1.5 million during this 3-year campaign.

3. HOW WILL THE FUNDS RAISED BE USED?

Our first priority is to pay off the \$410,000 loan from the Presbyterian Church U.S.A. Investment and Loan Program. (The outstanding balance on the loan as of March 23, 2008 is \$348,079.) This will free up \$3,045 each month we are paying on that loan. The Facilities Improvement Taskforce (F.I.T.), at the direction of the Session, has been working during 2006 and 2007 to make a realistic and professional assessment of the work that needs to be done on our facilities. Other top priorities that F.I.T. has identified include refurbishing the narthex; upgrading electrical wiring, air conditioning and heating units; life safety upgrades; and the addition of a firewall between the sanctuary and the classroom corridor, which would obviate the need to install a sprinkler system in the sanctuary. We also hope to study the feasibility of a new education building where the annex and Knox Hall now stand.

4. HOW DOES THE CAMPAIGN WORK?

We are kicking off the campaign with a Congregational Fellowship Event on Sunday, April 27 at noon. The purpose is to affirm and celebrate the church’s life and ministry, highlight this important time in our history, provide information about the church’s needs and have some FUN.

From April 28 through May 10 there will be a number of small group gatherings (10-12 people) held in members’ homes and in the church parlor. These gatherings will enable members (1) to have a clear understanding of the campaign purpose and financial goals, (2) to have an understanding of their financial stewardship responsibilities, and (3) to receive campaign information such as the brochure, fact sheet and a pledge card. You may sign up for your small group gathering on Sunday: April 6, 13 or 20.

Finally, members will turn in their pledge cards during worship on Dedication Sunday, May 11. Once we have received your pledge, you will have three years to fulfill your pledge from June 2008 through May 2011. You will be given enough yellow pledge envelopes to make your gift annually, monthly or weekly, as you choose.

5. WHAT HAPPENS IF WE DON’T MEET OUR GOAL?

This church has a long history of providing support when asked; however, should we not reach our \$1.5 million goal, the funds available will be applied as directed by the Session, with emphasis on reducing our debt and addressing life safety and security issues.

6. HOW MUCH IS IT COSTING US TO RUN THIS CAMPAIGN?

The PCUSA Church Financial Campaign Services consultant, the Feasibility Study, the Congregational Event, and printing and mailing campaign materials are less than 2% of our goal.

7. WHAT IF I MAKE A PLEDGE AND CANNOT FULFILL IT?

Pledges are intentions to donate money for the campaign. If financial circumstances arise that make it difficult or impossible for you to fulfill your pledge, it will be understood that all best intentions have been made. A pledge is not a binding contract.

8. HOW MUCH SHOULD I GIVE?

The amount anyone pledges and gives is a personal decision that hopefully is prompted by the question “How much of what God has given me am I willing to share?” We would like all to contribute to this campaign with “glad and generous” hearts as an expression of the joy and gratitude of faithful children of God. In order to reach our goal, we ask that you prayerfully consider pledging 5% of your income each year for the next three years. The table illustrates giving amounts.

<u>Gift Amount</u>	<u>Yearly</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>Weekly</u>
\$60,000	\$20,000	\$1,667	\$385
50,000	16,667	1,389	321
45,000	15,000	1,250	288
35,000	11,667	972	224
25,000	8,333	694	160
20,000	6,667	556	128
18,000	6,000	500	115
15,000	5,000	417	96
12,000	4,000	333	77
9,000	3,000	250	58
7,500	2,500	208	48
6,000	2,000	167	38
3,000	1,000	83	19
1,500	500	42	10

Every gift and pledge, whatever the size, is needed to reach our goal.

9. WHY SHOULD I GIVE TO THE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN IN ADDITION TO MY REGULAR ANNUAL PLEDGE?

Our present church facilities were built in the 1950’s. With time comes wear and tear. The anticipated renovations and repairs have become necessary because of the age of our buildings. The cost to make these repairs far exceeds our reserves, making a capital campaign the only feasible alternative. Your annual pledge is still needed to enable the church to carry out the on-going operations of the church, i.e., salaries, utilities, supplies, etc.

10. WHY ARE WE GIVING SOME OF OUR CAMPAIGN MONEY TO MISSION PROJECTS?

Session has approved four groups that will evenly share 10% of the funds raised in each of the three years of our campaign: Central Brevard Sharing Center, Brevard County Habitat for Humanity, Air Mobile Ministries (water purification equipment), and Doctors Without Borders (Plumpy’Nut Program providing fortified peanut butter to severely malnourished children in war-torn areas of Africa). To give some of our funds away is a recognition that the Kingdom of God does not begin or end with our congregation and our needs.

11. WHOM CAN I TALK TO ABOUT THE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN?

Any member of the Capital Campaign Steering Committee can answer your questions. Those on the committee include: Dave Mann and Mary Ellen Weissinger, Co-Chairs; Bill Moehle; Steve Kopp; Bob and Kim Trujillo; Bill and Carolyn Barnes; June Milsap; Pam Higgins; Melanie Bradford; Kimberly Prosser; Jim Tinsley; Joan Meekins and Nancy Horchler.