

## Campaign Announced

We are pleased to announce the launching of a very special campaign effort for the benefit of Federated Church. It's entitled the "Rejoice & Renew Campaign" and has as its aim raising the funds required to update and improve our facilities.

Our **minimum goal** is \$2,200,000, which will enable us to move forward with the most pressing facility and maintenance improvements to the Bell Street property, worship space & the Family Life Center. A **challenge goal** of \$3,000,000 and a **praise goal** of \$4,000,000 have also been set. The campaign will officially commence with a special "Kick-Off Celebration" scheduled for Sunday, June 4th and will culminate on Sunday, Augusts 27 – Commitment Weekend – when members will be asked to make their campaign gift commitments.

The pages that follow provide additional details about our needs, our plans, and our campaign.



Through the prayerful, volunteer and financial support of many, we will succeed in our task and, in so doing, will help to make Federated Church an even more special and spectacular place to go and to grow in God's name.

## Campaign Leadership Enlisted

Our campaign leadership *cabinet* is now in place. This critical core group of leaders will give guidance and drive the overall campaign.

Serving as our Gift Gathering Chairpersons of this special effort are **Ken & Kristi Horner**, who will assume primary responsibility for the Advance Gifts Committee and phase of the campaign and **Robin Harbage** and **David Telfer**, who will oversee the Community Gifts Committee and phase.

In addition, we have also been blessed with an excellent supporting cast who are tasked with leadership of the various support committees needed. They are **Peggie Jo Shinagawa** and **Lou Butz**, who will lead our Prayer Committee; **Darlene Nichols** and **Katie Swanson-Harbage** who will lead our committee for Hospitality; **Stacy Cianciolo** and **Maren Koepf** who will lead our committee for Youth and Children's Gifts; **Ann Lentz** and **Diana Gardner** who will lead our Communications

Committee; and **Rob Goble** and **Steven Patton** who will lead our Creative Giving Committee.

Finally, we are blessed to have the following people

step up and agree to serve on our Advance Gifts Team. They are the volunteers who will be visiting a select group of members in advance of Commitment Weekend and inviting them to consider their gifts. Serving on the Advance Gifts Team, so far, are: **Doug & Barb Church**, **Phil Fogarty**, **Bill & Silvia Kenneweg**, **Marty Culbertson & Martine Scheuermann**, and **Todd & Melinda Smith**.

Many more volunteers are needed to help with this important effort. Please say "yes" to volunteering when asked, or call the **Campaign Office at 440-247-6490 ext. 216** to say that you'll happily help!



# Our Needs

As a result of our feasibility study conducted last fall, we were able to identify our most pressing needs and what we can expect to raise in a capital campaign over a three year period.

## Bell Street Property

### Exterior Needs

**The roof on our Bell Street property** has exceeded its life expectancy. A complete replacement, in addition to plaster repair and a fresh coat of paint, are desperately needed to preserve our beautiful, historic building.

**Our steeple** also requires some maintenance. Many slate tiles are loose and some have even fallen off. There does not appear to be any water damage at this time, but if we do not repair the slate tiles soon, it could result in additional damages and expenses.

### Interior Needs

**The heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC)** systems are nearing the end of their life expectancy. The current system lacks the controls necessary to heat and cool the facilities cost-effectively and keep our spaces comfortable.

In order to ensure that we complement the current look and feel of our historic building, we plan to work with a professional commercial design consultant

*God calls us  
to care for,  
cultivate, and  
improve all that  
God has entrusted to us.  
This is what it means to  
be a good steward of all  
of God's gifts.*

who will guide us in selecting **carpeting, updating our restrooms and selecting new furnishings.**

### Equipment Needed for Property Maintenance

Maintaining our extensive grounds requires a variety of **equipment**, much of which is aging and failing.

### Security and Safety Needs

The **key fob door access system** at our Bell Street property is antiquated. The current system cannot be deactivated or reprogrammed, creating a lack of security for our important assets.

Recently, **security cameras** were installed at the Family Life Center, greatly improving security at that location. We need to do the same for our Bell Street facility.

The **steep driveway** into the Bell Street parking lot is a safety concern during cold weather. We need to consider adding systems that would keep it ice-free in the most inclement weather to improve safety for both drivers and pedestrians.

Winter salt treatments have taken their toll on our sidewalks and parking lots. **Repair** is needed to keep the surfaces smooth and safe for people who use our buildings.

The **exterior stairs** on the west side of the Bell Street building (near CVS) are crumbling and unsafe. This entryway is the preferred exit for Sunday School classes in case of emergency and must be maintained for the safety of our children.

### Antiquated Technology

Our worship experience in the Sanctuary would benefit from improvements in **audio/visual equipment.**

**Wireless connectivity** is expected wherever people gather these days. It is especially

important when we open our facilities for community use. Our wireless connectivity is not reliable and dead spots exist.

Furthermore, our staff uses a computer network connected to a central server that houses our files and databases. We need to **replace the server** within two to four years.

### Sustainability and Energy Efficiency Needs

We have begun the extensive project of replacing our lighting with more **cost-efficient LED fixtures.** More needs to be done to complete this project and maximize those savings.

### Family Life Center Facility

The 20-year-old Family Life Center has some pressing maintenance needs.

We need to **repair a few key areas** that include painting the wood siding on the exterior of the building.

We also need to **replace the dishwasher** in the kitchen.

### Worship Space Needs

When we invite people into our house of worship, we want their experience to be an inspiring and comfortable one.

The **carpeting** in our Sanctuary needs to be replaced.

Condensation from our HVAC system has resulted in **water damage** in our worship space.

Our beautiful historic **Schantz organ** needs major maintenance and refurbishing.

Our **brass railings** need to be refinished.

New **choral risers** are needed to improve the musician's safety during performances.

**Sanctuary window blinds** are needed to protect furnishings, as well as the eyes of congregants.

# Our Plans

To address these various needs, we are proposing a strategic capital plan. It calls for making various improvements and enhancements to our Bell Street property and some to our Family Life Center.

## **Bell Street Property**

### **Exterior Improvements**

We plan to replace the roof of the Sanctuary and Educational Wing and repair all damage caused by leaks by plastering and painting where needed. We will also repair the slate roof of the steeple.

### **Interior Improvements**

We will replace our aging HVAC units and their control systems to create an efficient zoned heating system for our building.

A professional commercial design consultant will select carpeting, updated finishes for our restrooms, and furnishings for our meeting spaces.

### **Maintaining Properties**

The purchase of newer equipment will guarantee that our maintenance staff will have the tools they need to maintain our beautiful grounds.

### **Safety & Security**

We plan to install a new Building Entrance System. Security cameras will be added to our Bell Street property. We also plan to install a boiler-based heated coil system in the Bell Street driveway to eliminate icing problems and the need for extensive salting during cold weather. We will also repair the concrete stairs.

## **Technological Enhancements**

New audio-visual equipment for the Sanctuary will greatly enhance the worship experience.

New access points will improve wireless connectivity throughout both buildings that will benefit anyone needing Wi-Fi on our campus.

We plan to replace our existing server in the next two to four years.

We will launch rebranding efforts to freshen and unify all of our marketing and communications materials and keep Federated Church relevant to all generations. Part of the rebranding effort will include updating the look and feel of our publications, as well as our presence on social media.

### **Reducing Our Carbon Footprint**

We will complete the transition to LED lighting throughout our facilities that will result in cost savings over the long term.

## **Family Life Center Facility Improvements**

For the time being, our plans for the Family Life Center include:

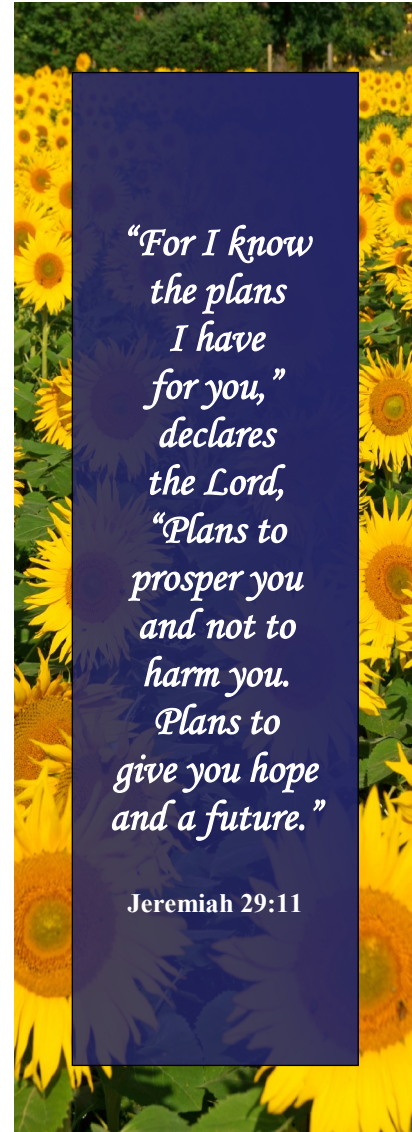
Repairing key areas and repainting the wood siding on the exterior of the building.

Replacing the dishwasher with a larger, more efficient unit.

### **Worship Space Improvements**

The carpeting in our Sanctuary will be replaced.

Plasterwork and a fresh coat of



paint will repair water-damaged areas within the interior of our worship space.

We plan to improve, fully refurbish, and restore our historic Schantz organ.

The brass railings will be restored to like-new condition.

The addition of new choral risers within the choir area will provide a safer environment for musicians.

Finally, we plan to install blinds on some of our Sanctuary windows.

# How You Can Help

In preparation for this important event, we ask that you do three things:

## 1 Pray

Please **pray** for our volunteers, staff, and for all members of our church community. **Pray** for our campaign's success. Our future depends on your prayers.



## 2 Volunteer

Please **volunteer** your time to the campaign effort. Over 100 volunteers will be needed to assure that the campaign runs as efficiently and effectively as possible and that the job of volunteering is a relatively easy and enjoyable experience for everyone.



## 3 Invest

Please prayerfully consider a **generous financial investment** in our campaign when asked. Long-term subscriptions — pledges payable over three years in addition to your annual stewardship offerings — are encouraged and essential to meeting our needs.

**Your support will ensure our campaign's and our church community's future success!**



*"Tell them to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous, ready to share, thus accumulating as treasure a good foundation for the future, so as to win the life that is true life."*

1 Timothy 6:18-19

## What in God's Name is Going on Here?



## Hear, Here Join Us for Our Campaign Kick-Off Celebration

Rejoice & Renew  
Sunday, June 4  
At 11:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall

Enjoy fine food and fellowship with other members. Listen to inspirational talks. View our newly produced campaign brochure and video and learn first-hand of our needs, our hopes, and our dreams.

You'll hear it all here.

Please plan to attend and discover what in God's name is going on here.