

This is Commitment Weekend!

This is Commitment Weekend, the culmination of our “Rejoice & Renew” Campaign.

We are now asking all those who have not yet pledged to our campaign to please make a gift commitment this weekend.

Many volunteers have been recruited to date and, starting this Sunday afternoon, they will begin reaching out to congregants who have not yet made gift commitments—either in their homes and/or by phone—to ask them to please do their part and prayerfully consider their campaign gift commitment.

Please open your hearts and homes to this dedicated group. Listen thoughtfully and thoroughly to their request. Then, please do your very best in the way of a gift.



If you’d like to save us a call or trip to your home, you can stop by Fellowship Hall after service today! These same volunteers will be on hand to answer your questions and to gratefully accept your gift decision.

Please do your part to help make our campaign a success and do your very best in the way of a three-year pledge.

The future of our faith community in many ways depends on all of us, and on you and what you ultimately decide to do. Thank you and God bless you for your support!



Follow Up Activities Set

We hope to connect with everyone we can this weekend to offer an opportunity to give to our campaign. For those we do not hear from, our volunteers will be following up either in-person or by phone over the next few weeks. During these conversations our volunteers will more fully explain our campaign effort and invite everyone to make an investment.

Our plan is to contact *all members and friends of our church* in the most personal way possible. We want to be sure that everyone has the chance to learn about this exciting and essential effort, and to make their gift commitment.

In the ensuing weeks, all those who have done their part and

made commitments to the campaign will have their name listed in a special bulletin insert. If you would like to be included on this special list, please be sure to make your gift now.

Everyone’s support is needed. All gifts are greatly appreciated and will play a large part in determining our campaign’s overall success.

UPCOMING EVENTS

**Prayer Vigil begins
August 26, 2017**

**Commitment Weekend &
Mary Hobbs’ Montage
Bidding Starts
August 27, 2017**

Financial News

Our *Rejoice & Renew Campaign*'s purpose is to raise the funds required to update and improve our facilities.

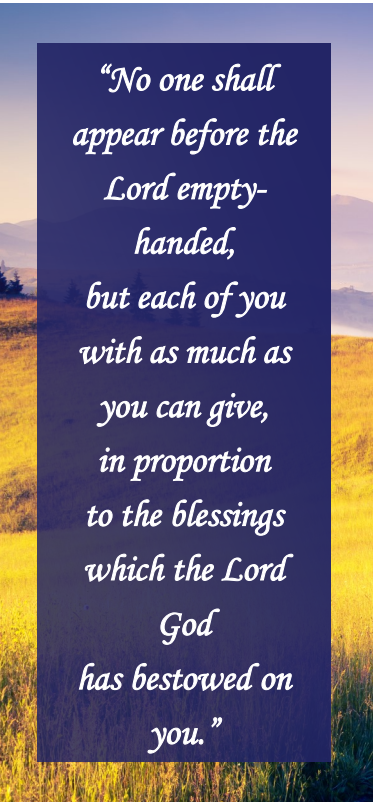
A minimum goal of \$2,200,000 has been established, which will enable us to move forward with the most pressing facility improvements to the Bell Street property, worship space, and the Family Life Center.

A **Challenge goal of \$3,000,000** has also been set, which, if met, will enable us to make additional enhancements to both properties that were presented in the feasibility study, while also earmarking funds for future deferred major maintenance.

Finally, reaching our **Praise goal of \$4,000,000** will enable us to finish all proposed projects without lingering debt.

Challenge Goal
\$3,000,000

Praise Goal
\$4,000,000



Gifts Needed and Received				
In order to reach our financial objectives, we will need both a substantial number of givers and a few, fairly substantial gifts as this Chart of Gifts illustrates:				
Size of Gift	Needed	Minimum Needed	Given	Total Pledged
\$300,000 or more	1	\$300,000	1	\$400,000
\$100,000-300,000	3	\$300,000	2	\$301,000
\$50,000—100,000	6	\$300,000	6	\$380,212
\$25,000—50,000	12	\$300,000	11	\$336,116
\$10,000—25,000	30	\$300,000	34	\$470,362
\$5,000—10,000	60	\$300,000	25	\$146,747
Less than \$5,000	116	\$400,000	34	\$67,730
TOTAL	228	\$2,200,000	113	\$2,102,167

Questions You've Asked:

Question: I want to support the church, but I'd rather pledge my money to programs and mission work than to fixing the building.

Answer: It has been thirteen (13) years since Federated has conducted a capital campaign. Seven to ten years is quite normal for a congregation. In the meantime, our physical structures have aged and our deferred major maintenance fund has declined to the point where each year we are forced to carve into our operating funds from the Stewardship Campaign to repair our facilities. This has caused us to continually struggle to provide the wonderful programs and mission work that is so central to our community. Giving to the *Rejoice & Renew Campaign* will allow us to repair and upgrade our infrastructure while not affecting our program and operating budget — a wonderful gift that will enable us to do God's work!

Question: All loans and mortgages should be paid first.

Answer: The financial strategy of debt is a topic that is often discussed and each side has its merits. At Federated, we strive to be prudent stewards of our resources, which entails frequent and ongoing discussions with professionals in the finance business. In this campaign, we are striving to reach our **PRAISE goal of \$4 million**, which would enable us to **retire all of our existing debt totaling \$164,000**.

Giving Opportunities

There are a number of very special gift opportunities within our campaign available to donors or groups of donors of the following *total qualifying* gift amounts. These opportunities allow people the unique chance to associate their gifts with a particular portion of the campaign and honor or memorialize one or more people as part of their special gift pledge.

*Gift amounts do not necessarily reflect the item's exact cost. Rather, they are based on the item's prominence, our needs, and our community's gift abilities. Gift contributions may be made over the entire three-year giving period. Recognition will be given when the gift is received in full.

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace."

Remember to find out whether your company matches donations to religious organizations!

Worship Space Opportunities

Organ Refurbishment	\$ 300,000
Audio Visual Equipment	\$ 75,000
Interior Paint & Plaster	\$ 50,000
Brass Railings (polishing) (funded)	\$ 10,000
Window Treatments (funded)	\$ 5,000

Bell Street Property Opportunities

Roof Replacement & Comprehensive Insulation	\$ 500,000
HVAC Systems & Energy Audit with Systems Engineering	\$ 500,000
Resurface Parking Lot & Add Heat Cables to Hillside	\$ 150,000
Maintenance Equipment Items	\$ 100,000
Carpeting	\$ 80,000
Interior Paint	\$ 50,000
Restroom Fixtures	\$ 35,000
Building Entry System	\$ 30,000
Steeple Repairs (funded)	\$ 20,000
Security Camera System	\$ 15,000
Seated Choral Risers	\$ 10,000
Conference Room Chairs (funded)	\$ 7,000

Family Life Center Opportunities

Wood Siding Repairs	\$ 45,000
Dishwasher (funded)	\$ 10,000

Special Selection and Selections

Rebranding Effort	\$ 55,000
LED Fixtures	\$ 40,000
Pick-Up Truck	\$ 35,000
New Server	\$ 7,000
Commercial Interior Design Consultant	\$ 5,000
New Wireless Access Points (funded)	\$ 4,000

Giving Options

All members are asked to consider gifts above and beyond what they give in their regular offerings and other contributions. Gifts can be made in a variety of ways.

Pledges

Pledges are payable over three years, making larger gifts more attainable and essential to meeting our goal. Gifts may be made in monthly, quarterly, semi-annual, or annual installments at the donor's discretion. A 10% initial investment towards your total pledge is encouraged.

Non-Cash Gifts

Non-cash gifts are an additional or alternative way you can support our cause. You may wish to consider *in-kind* gifts such as labor and materials; gifts of securities such as stocks and bonds; gifts of real estate; or even personal property such as artwork, automobiles, jewelry, and antiques.

Deferred Gifts

Deferred gifts are another option you may wish to consider. These are gifts that can be given or arranged for now, but will not be received until later. They include gifts where Federated is designated as the beneficiary in a person's will by bequest, gifts of life insurance policies or annuities, and gifts in trust.

Every Gift Makes a Difference



While gifts may come in various shapes and sizes, each gift to our capital campaign makes a difference. So, please join with all of the others who have already given and give your gift today — right away. With it, our campaign will be more successful and complete. Without it, there's a noticeable difference.

What Speaks to You?

Recently, one of our members was moved to contribute to the *Rejoice & Renew* Campaign and associate their gift with our much-needed steeple repairs. In order to do this, their campaign pledge covered the *entire amount* associated with this Gift Opportunity.



Is there a Gift Opportunity that speaks to you?

Take Advantage of this Creative Giving Opportunity!

We are delighted that Mary Hobbs, one of Federated's own and a very talented artist, has offered a commissioned 30" x 40" art piece in vegetable oil and wax colored pencil. Here is a sample of the priceless beauty of this donation.

The *Rejoice & Renew Campaign* will host an online auction of this art commission beginning on Commitment Sunday, August 27th and ending September 9th before midnight! All bidders will be notified of the current high bid at the end of each day during the auction. The winning bidder will be announced on Rally Day Sunday, September 10th.

All proceeds from this auction will go to the *Rejoice & Renew Campaign*. Minimum Bid is \$1,000.00 and will be accepted only through this email address: federated.rejoice.and.renew@gmail.com

