



FULFILLING THE VISION

When GCPC embarked on its Capacity Campaign in 2014, the goal wasn't only to add bathrooms, showers, and a new roof on the sanctuary. The church made a decision at the time that if GCPC was to live into the church God is calling us to be with strong programming for all ages and vital ministries in the community, we also needed the right-sized staff.

The Capacity Campaign ended in 2018, yielding a solid foundation upon which to build for the future. We have a highly functional space in which to worship and build community, as well as a full staff of talented and dedicated leaders. These additional personnel expenses have transitioned into the annual budget as a part of operating expenses.

The church building has become a much more functional space capable of better serving the needs of the congregation as well as those of our mission partners and the larger community. As a result, the building itself is in constant use, becoming a ministry of hospitality and welcome to many people throughout the week.

We can all see and hear the results of our investment every Sunday—over 40 people have joined since last September, children crowd the chancel area during Faith Sharing, and we've increased outreach in our larger community beyond what we could have imagined.

During the construction of the planned major improvements, we also discovered leaks, drainage problems, and water damage that necessitated immediate attention and expense. Fortunately, reserve funds were available to allow for needed repairs/improvements. To be positioned in the future to manage both unexpected and planned maintenance issues, **we must replenish and build reserves appropriate to the size and complexity of the church building.** Therefore, a \$75,000 yearly line item has been incorporated into our budget for the next 3 years.

The Capacity Campaign laid out a beautiful vision and began the work to make it real. Now we must continue that work through our 2019 Stewardship Campaign, **"How Can We Keep From Sharing"**. Building on the resulting momentum, we have the opportunity to advance this work through our 2019 budget, which will be \$1,275,000. Each of us is challenged to respond to this call from God not only to make a significant pledge, but if you have pledged in the past, **to increase your pledge by 10-20%.**

As we look around at everything happening at GCPC, it's easy to see how much God is doing with and through us. Now is the time for Grace Covenant to fulfill the Capacity Campaign vision with the power of our generosity and faith!



Capacity Campaign 2015-2018



Pledge Campaign 2018



Pledge Campaign 2017