

A Giving Chart to Guide You as You Plan Your Gift

Our challenge goal is \$700,000 which is bold. We ask everyone to participate in this commitment of faith. We trust God can bless us to reach our goal and more.

TO ATTAIN THE BASIC GOAL, WE WILL NEED:

- A gift of \$70,000 or more (\$23,333 per year)
- A gift of \$60,000 or more (\$20,000 per year)
- Several gifts of \$40,000 (\$13,334 per year)
- Two gifts of \$30,000 (\$10,000 per year)
- Three gifts of \$24,000 (\$8,000 per year)
- Four gifts of \$15,000 (\$5,000 per year)
- Five gifts of \$12,000 (\$4,000 per year)
- 6 gifts of \$50 per week (total \$7,800)
- 7 gifts of \$40 per week (total \$6,240)
- 10 gifts of \$30 per week (total \$4,680)
- 12 gifts of \$25 per week (total \$3,900)
- 14 gifts of \$15 per week (total \$2,340)
- 16 gifts of \$10 per week (total \$1,560)
- Many other gifts of various amounts!

All gifts are given in faith and love to the Glory of God!

As you plan your gift, prayerfully consider making a commitment at one of the levels listed above. We pray for God’s blessing on every gift and giver so that giving together we will reach our goals.



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WHAT is Creating Space for GRACE!?

Creating Space for GRACE! is a capital campaign undertaken at Christ Lutheran Church to make our ongoing vision for ministry a reality. Christ Lutheran Church is a vibrant, serving, celebrating community! We are richly blessed. Grace is at work in our ministries and we want to extend God's welcome in our community and ministry. Our plans include significant renovation and addition to our current ministry facility.

What is the Cost of Our Renovation Plans?

The cost for this renovation will be around \$1.2 million. Our leadership plans to reach this goal with a combination of a mortgage and financial gifts from congregation members and friends, as well as the potential labor of ELCA Mission Builders and church volunteers.

What Will My Gift Help Fund?

Gifts and pledges will help:

- Renovate the youth education and preschool area with additional space, child-friendly restrooms, and storage;
- Build a new kitchen to better support fellowship and serve our community and other ministries like Family Promise;
- Renovate and add a larger entrance area to welcome our growing worshipping community, and provide ADA-accessible restrooms;
- Renovate and add space for groups for education and serving together, with added office space for ministry staff.

Our Campaign

Christ Lutheran Church is undertaking a three-year campaign to reach our goal of supporting the planned renovation. Our plans call for the congregation to raise \$700,000 over three years. In July, the Church Council set a goal of \$500,000. Further discussion as well as the strong desire to provide for a new kitchen and related increased storage space accelerated that goal to \$700,000.

What Am I Being Asked to Give?

You are the steward of what God has entrusted to you. Consider your gift in prayer. Remember that what you give to the *Creating Space for GRACE!* capital campaign is over and above your regular offering to Christ Lutheran's annual operating fund. Our ongoing ministry needs your regular offering support. A Giving Chart is provided to assist in planning your gift. We ask that you consider a sacrificial gift that fits your blessings and brings you joy to offer.

How Will the Campaign Strengthen Our Ministry?

Creating Space for GRACE! will bring our community together to celebrate the vision and generous faith that has sustained us over the past 50 years. We thank God for each member who has embraced the ministry at Christ Lutheran with energy, joy and thanksgiving. We want this campaign to be a time of generous prayer, engaging affirmation and thankful celebration.

Creating Space for GRACE! will strengthen our ministry because it is a visible sign of our commitment to Word and Sacrament ministry and to the community of Ferndale. Many people are blessed through our work together and we are grateful for the sacrifices of many who have brought us to this time in 50 years of ministry.

Consider Creative Ways to Plan Your Gift

We invite you to be creative as you plan your giving. God has blessed each of us with different financial resources. Many givers will make monetary gifts annually, monthly or weekly. Others will make one-time gifts from stock, cash, savings, IRAs, real estate, insurance policies or bequests. It is very important that you discuss your gift with your financial planner or attorney. An opportunity to talk with a financial planner and/or real estate attorney will also be offered at church during the campaign. Your pledge may be given over the course of three years.

Is Everyone Being Asked to Give?

Yes. Everyone is being asked to join in our ministry. Not everyone can give the same gift amount, yet everyone can share in the manner God has blessed them. We are asking for a shared equal sacrifice, not equal gift amounts. We can do together much more than each of us can do by ourselves.

When Will Our Pledges Be Received?

Commitment Sunday is October 15, 2017. Church members and those present in worship on October 15, 2017, will receive and be invited to complete a commitment card as a part of worship. Those who are not able to be in worship that day will have an opportunity to join in the campaign after that Sunday.

Others, including those formerly connected with Christ Lutheran as well as current preschool families, will also be invited to give toward our goal before Celebration Sunday on November 19. A tally of pledges will be announced immediately following Commitment Sunday, and the final pledge and gift amount will be announced at our annual meeting on Celebration Sunday, November 19. Any necessary adjustments to the architectural plans to fit our finances will be made at that point.

