

Leadership Gifts Needed and Received

In order to succeed in our Creating Connections campaign, we will need both a substantial number of givers, along with a few fairly substantial gifts to the campaign. As you know, a group of our volunteers is currently working hard to gather these leadership gifts to the campaign.

We are pleased to announce that many members have already made significant gifts to the campaign. In fact, we have already raised \$233,910 from just 25 donors.

As you consider your gift to the campaign, we ask that you follow their example and consider

a sacrificial gift that will help ensure our campaign's success.



Commitment Weekend Is Coming

March 11th, is Commitment Weekend for our Creating Connections Campaign. Our dedicated volunteers have been working for many weeks to prepare for this big weekend . . . the weekend that will determine the degree of our success.

On that Sunday afternoon, one of our many volunteers will be visiting you in your home and asking for your commitment. Please open your hearts as well as your homes to this dedicated group. If you would like to save us a trip to your home on March 11th, please stop by the gym

after any of our services that Sunday and visit with a volunteer there. Plenty of volunteers will be available and happy to explain our effort, answer your questions and assist you in arranging your pledges.

A letter with more information on Commitment Weekend will be sent to you in the coming weeks. Please pray for our campaign's success and consider your investment as you prepare for Commitment Weekend

Upcoming Events

Commitment Weekend
March 11th

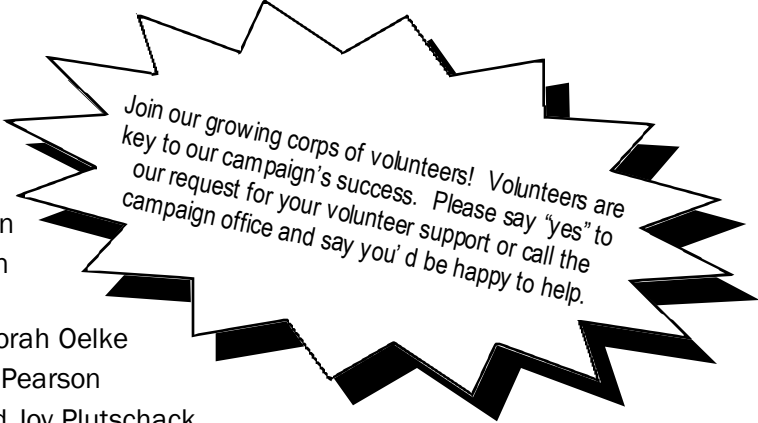
Celebration Weekend
April 15th

Volunteer News

Names in bold are new volunteers who recently joined our ranks.

Alex Alonte
Jim and Vicki Bartol
Cliff and Lois Bartsch
Carol Bottoni
Ken and Gail Breitenfeldt
Ben and Megan Buschkopf
Thomas and Linda Cottreau
Bob Cutting
Sharon Dobrzynski
Sandra Eads
George and Cindy Elleseg
Rev. Eric Goldschmidt
Kevin and Tammy Hablewitz
Ann and Craig Hogan
Gwen Huth
Jim and Robin Janiszewski
Janet Johnson
Tom Kassulke
Tim and Donna Keller
Wayne and Kathy Keller
Terry and Sue Krause
Herbert and Esther Lichtenberg
Dawn Martin

Mike Meyer
Lois Niermann
Ed and Evelyn Nimmer
Ray and Deborah Oelke
Eric and Kim Pearson
Raymond and Joy Plutschack
Glenn and Marcia Quigley
Erin Remschak
Jack and Sue Ringe
Jennifer Romero
Nicole St. Germaine
Don Schaewe
Rev. Martin Schulz
Andrew Spehert
Jerry and Pat Vanden Boom
Kris Waters
Barry Wierschke
Samuel Zacharias



Join our growing corps of volunteers! Volunteers are key to our campaign's success. Please say "yes" to our request for your volunteer support or call the campaign office and say you'd be happy to help.

Questions and Answers

Question:

Why can't we just add on to the front of our church or attach an expansion on to the side our church?

Answer:

There are a number of reasons for not doing as you suggested. The main reason why we cannot add on to the front of our church is that the Historical Society has designated our church as an historical building. Adding on to the front of our church would be a violation of their policy. Plus there is not enough room in the front of our church to give us what we need. There are also graves in the front of our church that would have to be moved. Adding on to the front or side of our church would require us by State law to have a sprinkler system added to the inside of our church. This would not only be very expensive, but would take away from the beauty of the inside of our church. All of the available space that we need is in the open field to our west.



If you have a question about the campaign, please fill out a Question Card and drop it in the box located in the church. You can also contact the parish for more information or questions on the campaign.

Gift Opportunities

There are also several, specific gift opportunities that exist and give donors of qualifying gift amounts the unique chance to designate their gift to a particular portion of the project and dedicate it in honor or memory of those they choose. These special gift opportunities include:

Welcoming Center	\$ 200,000
Gathering Space	\$ 100,000
Outdoor Gathering Space	\$ 75,000
Covered Drop-off	\$ 75,000
Small Group Meeting Space	\$ 50,000
Kitchen	\$ 40,000
Glass Link	\$ 40,000
Sitting Area	\$ 40,000
Mother's/ Bride's Room	\$ 40,000
Restrooms (3 available)	\$ 30,000
Mechanical Room	\$ 25,000

** Prices of the stated items are not necessarily reflective of the component's cost. Rather they are based on the prominence of the item and the gift abilities of our community. Although payments for these gifts may be made over the entire pledge period, recognition will not be received until the gift is paid in full.*



Focus On Giving... Life Insurance

Donating a gift of life insurance to our campaign can allow you to make a substantial, future gift. Perhaps you have existing policies no longer needed to provide for young children or family members. Those policies can be assigned to the church. There are several ways to make gifts of life insurance to the campaign. You can:

Donate a life insurance policy that is not completely paid up.

Donate a fully paid policy.

Purchase a new variable, whole life or universal life policy and name the church as the beneficiary.

Gifts of life insurance can help insure the future of our church! Contact us for more information on gifts of life insurance.