



THE LEGACY OF ST. LUKE'S LUTHERAN CHURCH



OUR TIME, HIS TIMING... BUILDING TO SERVE!



WHO ARE WE?

We are a congregation of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod.

OUR MISSION

Sharing Jesus Christ's love with those around us.

OUR VISION

To be a loving, forgiving, Christ-centered family that faithfully uses Scripture to enable and equip its members to reach and serve its diverse community.

FOR MORE THAN 100 YEARS our church has been blessing countless people with the grace and love of Jesus Christ. People have worshipped at St. Luke's during difficult years of hardship, struggle and uncertainty, as well as in joyous times of weddings, baptisms, confirmations and anniversaries. And this just scratches the surface of what St. Luke's has meant to our members and our community. It's for this reason we need to plan for our future.

We have had many discussions, meetings, and plans to determine the future facility needs for our congregation, both for today and in the future. Your input has been appreciated and heard as we determine the best use of our buildings and land to meet your needs in your faith journey. After a feasibility study was conducted last fall, we believe that the time is NOW to begin the important work of raising funds to move St. Luke's to our Anderson Avenue site and begin another chapter in our history.

As a part of this church family, you are invited to become involved in our capital campaign, ***Our Time, His Timing ... Building to Serve!*** Please look over this information carefully and pray how you might be generous to the church's present and future through a three-year pledge that is above and beyond your normal giving. This building, and our valuable ministry, is here because of the heritage given to us. Now it is our time to restore, repair, and enhance our possibilities for future growth and vitality as individuals, as families, and as a congregation.

People don't give money only because the church has needs. People give money when they see the church meets needs. We believe in St. Luke's and are proud of what God has done through this church. We have so much hope for the future ministry. I pray you will choose to take part in this necessary campaign for today and for our future.

Blessings,
Mark Hatesohl, Council President
Pastor Michael Schmidt

OUR HISTORY

May 23, 1915	St. Luke's church constitution is adopted. This is the first record of St. Luke's Lutheran Church.
April 2, 1944	The congregation became self-supporting and was no longer subsidized by the Kansas District.
December 10, 1949	The mortgage is paid in full.
April 19, 1953	A new Church building was dedicated on land purchased on the corner of Sunset and Delaware.
October 5, 1961	The St. Luke's educational facility is dedicated.
1981	A preschool for three- and four-year old children is started.
1987	B.A.S.I.C Training (Brothers and Sisters in Christ) began.
2002	Congregation purchased 28.16 acres of land on West Anderson Avenue.
October 2, 2011	Reverend Michael Schmidt is installed as St. Luke's pastor.
2015	The preschool is converted to an Early Learning center.
2016	Congregation votes to move forward with plans to build on West Anderson Property.

OUR TIME, HIS TIMING ... BUILDING TO SERVE!

Lord Jesus Christ, we know that time is in your hands and we know that your timing is perfect. As you were raised from the dead, and as you raised up your people of old to advance your kingdom, raise us up to serve unselfishly. Open the windows of heaven and pour down your blessings on this project. At this time, work in our hearts to be generous so that your kingdom might be advanced at St. Luke's. Thank you for serving us with forgiveness and life, so that we are built up to serve others. In your name we pray. Amen.

¹⁰ Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need.

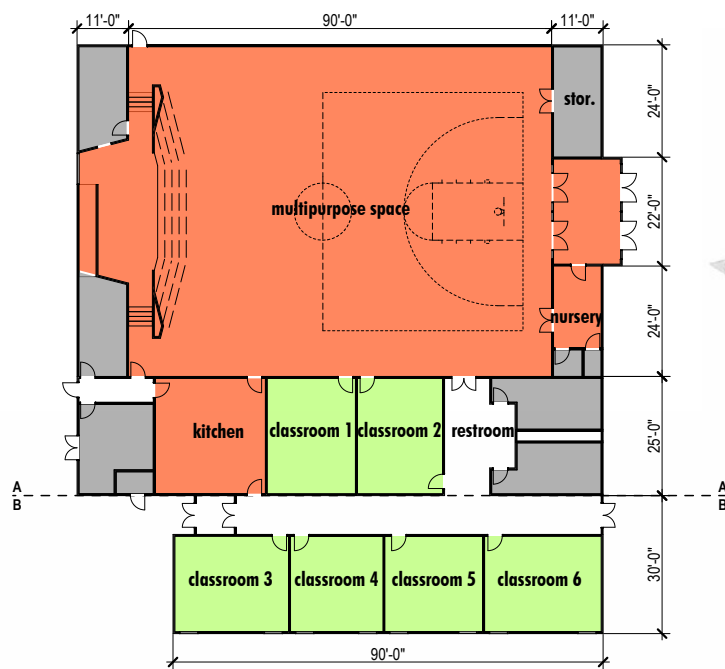
Malachi 3:10



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"There are times in life when one thinks that they have been thrown a curveball, from its challenge where does one find balance stability? It is through our communication and prayer to God, that one reaffirms their reliance on Him. Helping to support our new church with its open windows of opportunity is one way, we all can thank the Lord for all the blessing he has bestowed on us."

— JERRY FEELEY



PHASE ONE FLOOR PLAN



erson Avenue Site

PHASE ONE | MULTI-PURPOSE



PHASE ONE
AERIAL

Phase One of the building project will allow us to establish ourselves on this location and to have church services and Sunday school together. It will consist of a multi-purpose space that will function initially as the sanctuary and fellowship hall. It will also include a larger kitchen and several meeting/class rooms. This phase will provide a space for Sunday school, dinners, and a larger fellowship area.

Other unavoidable expenses included with phase 1 are: bringing water onto the property, connection fees to the new sanitary sewer line crossing the property, and grading for the building and parking lots.



PHASE ONE ENTRY



"Our present site has served us well, but now it is time to look to the future. Our new site will locate us in a high population density area and is smartly located in the area of town Manhattan continues to see growth. Additionally it will be located to meet the needs of our fellow and future Missouri Synod members by being on the west side of town. It is about location, ease to get to and into, and being welcoming - our new site and facility will help us to grow and continue our missions as we grow in our faith journey."

— KLAUS HASS



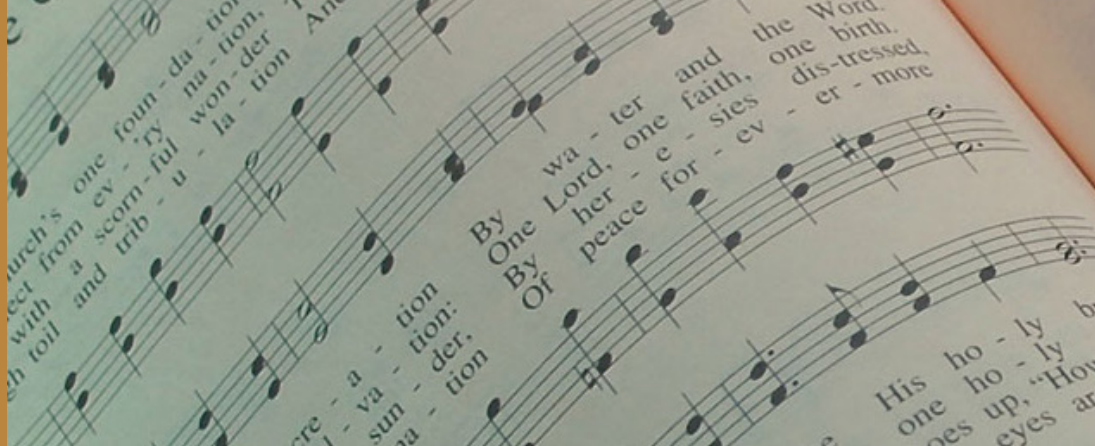
THANK YOU SO MUCH for your continued commitment to St. Luke's. At this important moment in our church's history, we ask you to consider a gift to Our Time, His Timing ... Building to Serve! Capital Campaign to build on our Anderson Avenue site.

We understand some may not have the resources to make a large commitment, but we do believe everyone can make a prayerful, sacrificial gift. Together we can do all things through Christ who strengthens us. Keep in mind that a pledge to our campaign is in addition to your annual giving which is essential for church operations. We ask that members not deduct from their regular giving to make a campaign gift.

Members often desire a "guideline" be provided. As we have no way of knowing your financial capability, this amount may be more or less than what is affordable for you. Based on your past giving, we ask you to consider a gift in that range pay-able over a three year period. We are encouraging each member to pray over their decision and give all they can to this important endeavor. If you can give more or less than the guidelines provided, please know that all gifts are appreciated and confidential.

Gifts may be cash, check or electronic payments. Stocks and bonds, or other appreciated assets, commodities, insurance policies, IRA distributions, or real estate are also welcome options to fulfill your commitment. For further information or questions regarding how to make these gifts or the tax benefits, please contact your financial advisor.

Pledges to the campaign do not constitute a legal obligation. It is our hope that you will pledge all you can in support of this very important effort in the mission of St. Luke's and its many missions. Thank you for your consideration.



FAQS

Why are we doing this again, we did it 20 years ago? We have held campaigns and fund raising efforts in the past – and those efforts have been successful. Thanks to the generosity of earlier giving, these dollars have been set aside and will be used for this project. Some of the dollars have been spent for land purchase, architects, etc. to get us where we are today. Unfortunately, we have not raised enough in past efforts to fund the project and thus we are hosting another capital campaign with the goal of building on our site and begin holding services and meeting on it.

I gave the last time; do you expect me to give again? We appreciate your past support and believe we have invested your dollars wisely. Our new campus on our Anderson Avenue site will happen because we all believe in the future of St. Luke's and the continued good work that we accomplish as a church family. We understand you have given before, but we hope that as a family you will talk about it, pray about it, and see the need for us all to continue coming together to financially support this important endeavor. Churches grow and thrive because of giving members who are unselfish with their time, their talent, and their dollars. Your continued and renewed support would be much appreciated.

I don't want to give until ground is actually broken – then I will know it is actually happening. We understand your concern, as many of us had hoped we would be in our new facilities, at our new site by now. The leadership is working very hard to make this a reality at this time and believe it will happen if the congregation will also believe and join in our efforts. Waiting to

see if it will happen, will not allow it to happen. In order for us to sign contracts with contractors, we have to have cash and pledges to show signs of good faith for them to work with/for us. Your pledge commitments will allow us to keep moving ahead and make St. Luke's dream a reality.

How can we afford this project when we have trouble meeting our annual budget?

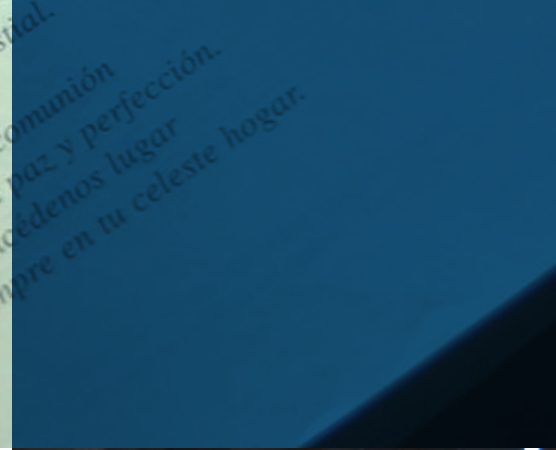
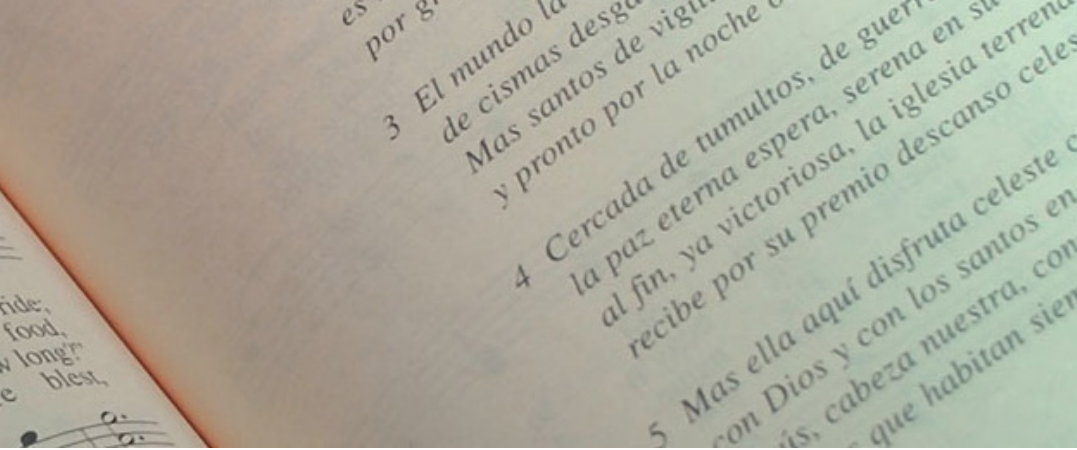
We have conducted a feasibility study by a professional consultant and voted as a church membership to go forward. We believe that it can be successful based on the results and the past support of our members. We are hopeful that our members will see the needs and benefits of this campaign and continue to financially support St. Luke's with their ordinary giving for the annual budget, but also support the campaign with their extraordinary giving.

Why did we hire a campaign consultant?

Campaign consultants bring experience, knowledge, and a sense of urgency to a campaign. As a church that is managed by volunteers we needed this piece to keep our project moving and for success. Research has proven that hiring a consultant raises more money (they are a good investment), will save us time and effort, and will make it more than a campaign, but an opportunity to grow closer as a church community. We believe this is a worthwhile expense, as we all want this to be successful as we work hard to fulfill our vision.

What is the timeframe for the capital campaign?

A campaign committee has been established and is working on the campaign. Over the next few months, you will see more information including ways you can volunteer, ways you can give, and ways you can support the



THREE-YEAR PLEDGE CHART: CAPITAL CAMPAIGN GIFT EXAMPLES

TOTAL GIFT	MONTHLY	QUARTERLY	SEMI-ANNUALLY	ANNUALLY
\$100,000	\$2,778	\$8,334	\$16,667	\$33,334
\$75,000	2,084	6,250	12,500	25,000
\$50,000	1,388	4,167	8,334	16,667
\$40,000	1,111	3,334	6,667	13,334
\$30,000	834	2,500	5,000	10,000
\$25,000	694	2,084	4,167	8,333
\$20,000	556	1,667	3,334	6,667
\$15,000	417	1,250	2,500	5,000
\$10,000	278	834	1,667	3,334
\$8,000	222	667	1,334	2,667
\$5,000	139	417	834	1,667
\$2,000	56	167	334	667
\$1,000	27	84	167	334
\$500	14	42	84	167

campaign to enhance St. Luke's. Sunday, April 29 is designated campaign Sunday. Home visitors will be assigned to each parishioner's home to deliver and pickup (at a later date) the gift commitment form. Families will be asked to think about, talk about, and pray about their campaign gift. Giving will be done confidentially through a sealed envelope process and there will be no pressure to make a gift.

Can we make pledges? Campaign gifts can be made over a 3-year period and sent in weekly, monthly, quarterly, or annually. Appreciated assets or noncash gifts may be made by contacting the church office. If a financial commitment cannot be made at this time, we ask that you support the campaign through prayer.

It is through prayer and the desire to continue the good work of St. Luke's that those that came before have accomplished through our rich history that will make this happen. It is our turn to give and continue our history of growing our Lutheran faith and community.

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Jeremiah 29:11





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