



Westminster2020

Forward In Faith

Capital Campaign News
 from Westminster Presbyterian Church

OVER HALFWAY TO OUR GOAL!

I am thrilled to report that we had a great response from the Advance Commitments Gathering at St. Stephens. Over 65 attendees, including Rev. Doug Huneke and Rev. Barb Rowe, joined on April 25th for an emotional and inspiring evening. We are still receiving commitments from those unable to attend but early giving is strong and we are over halfway to our goal! Sincere thanks to all who worked to make this beautiful evening possible.

We are grateful for Jonathan Perdue's generosity in committing \$300,000 in honor of his father, the Rev. William Perdue (pastor at Westminster 1969 to 1979). Jonathan specifically wanted his gift to be an inspiration to us all to give generously. His contribution is intended as a call to us to "Bring It Forward"!

Please mark your calendars for three upcoming events. All are invited to attend the Forward in Faith Celebration Banquet on Saturday, June 2nd. No donation and no

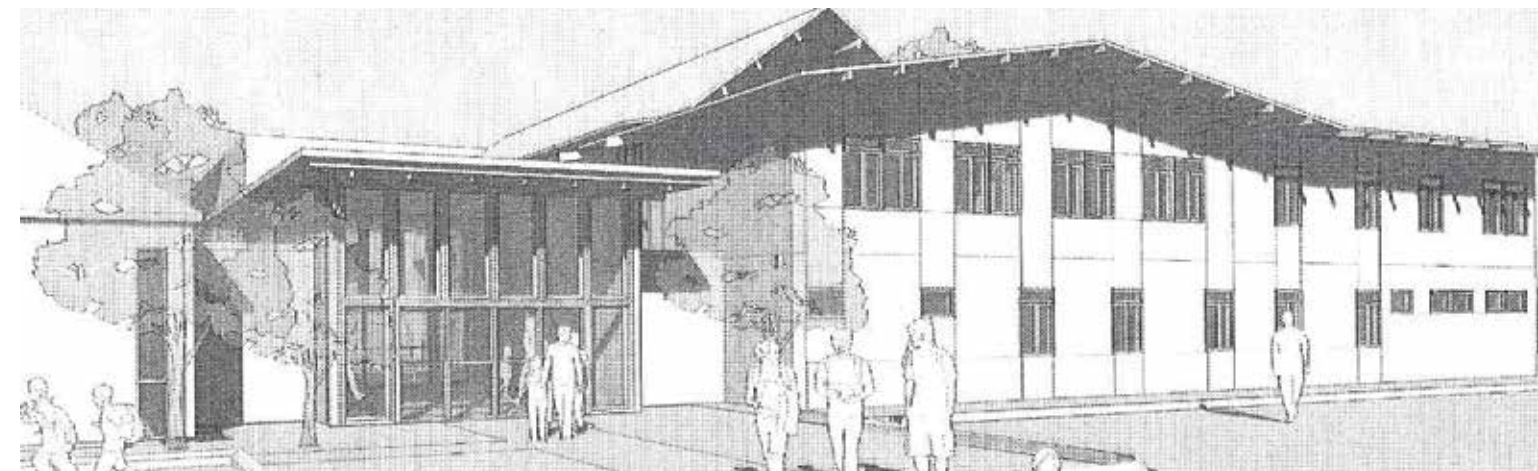
pledges will be requested. Enjoy a delicious dinner, music and surprise speakers.

You are also encouraged to attend the June 3rd Commitment Sunday worship service where we will receive financial commitments for our Forward in Faith 3-year campaign. Watch for a letter with your pledge card and more information the last week of May. Please give prayerful consideration to how you can support Westminster's vision for the future and for the next generation.

Finally, a gala Children's Party will also be held on Sunday, June 3rd during the 10 a.m. service. Tasty treats, fun and magic for children of all ages.

This is an exciting opportunity to invest in the future of our church community and to better serve the next generation of Westminster!

Judi Sachs, Campaign Chair



JUNE 2, 2018 5:00 - 7:30 PM

The Elks Club Garden
 1312 Mission Ave. San Rafael

RSVP to Sandy Smith (415) 789-1146; sandy63smith@comcast.net;
 or www.wpctiburon.org; or sign up in the Narthex after church.

Reservations MUST be received by Sunday May 20!

Reaching Our Goals - Making Our Vision A Reality!

Our financial goals are set for our **Westminster 2020 - Forward in Faith Campaign**. Every dollar given will be a step forward toward bringing our vision to life. The more we're able to raise, the more we'll be able to

accomplish toward taking care of the necessary facilities renovation and expansion projects.

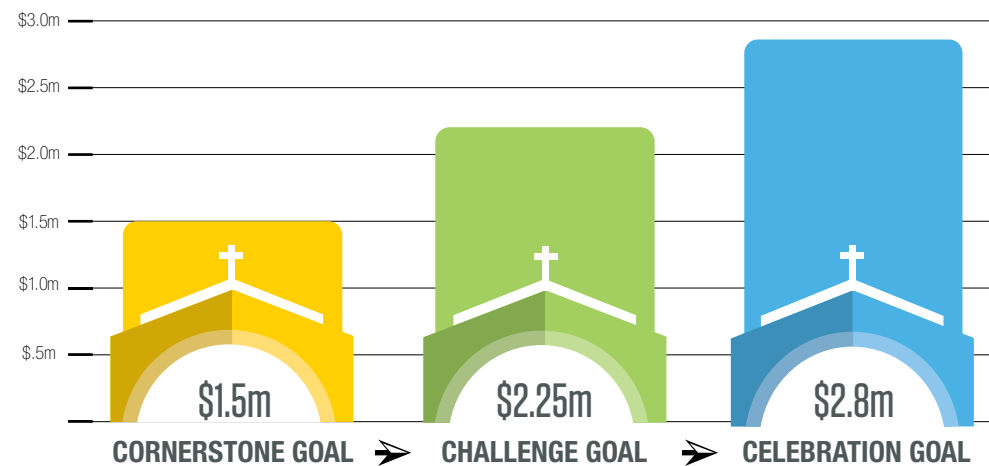
Our campaign team has challenged us to consider generous financial commitments over and above our

regular offerings. Please prayerfully consider the important part you play in helping meet this challenge.

Everyone's gifts are needed!

"Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."
Matthew 6:21

The Celebration Goal completely funds our facilities renovation and expansion projects.



The Joy of Generosity in Scripture

How many times do we all tell ourselves that our lives would be significantly better if we just bought something—a new car, a new home, etc.? In Scripture, we learn the joy that comes from generous giving, rather than through the accumulation of things or the abundance of material possessions. In 2 Corinthians 8 and 9, the apostle Paul makes it clear that the Corinthian people's giving to the church in Jerusalem is just as important to their own spiritual welfare as it is for the physical welfare of the Christians in Jerusalem. Paul emphasizes three important concepts:

1) Give voluntarily, give joyfully, and give first to the God. "God loves it when the giver delights in the giving!" (2 Corinthians 9:7b)

2) Give proportionately as God has blessed you. Our campaign is not about everyone giving the same dollar amount, but about everyone expressing an equal level of generosity based on their particular circumstance and household income.

3) Trust in God. "God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work." (2 Corinthians 9:8)

Please prayerfully consider how you can give joyfully and generously to the ministry of Westminster. Remember the words of Jesus, "Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." (Matthew 6:21)

"God loves it when the giver delights in the giving!"

2 Corinthians 9:7b

Making Our Commitments - Key Dates To Remember

Our **Westminster 2020 - Forward in Faith Campaign** is in full swing. This spring our church has actively been praying, sharing stories of faith, gathering to discuss our vision and ministry to our community. It's been a rewarding experience to get to know people in a deeper way, talk and pray together about the vital mission we share, and consider the ways in which revitalizing our church facilities will help us strengthen our work together at Westminster.

We're at that point when each of us will be encouraged to offer financial commitments to our campaign. As we draw closer to making our commitments to resource the vital needs of our church, you are invited to celebrate this opportunity to serve God.

Our campaign is about more than just finances. We have the privilege and opportunity to carry forward the legacy of our facilities and realize God's vision for us here. Here are the ways you can make your commitments to our campaign.

Sunday, June 3: Commitment Worship Services

After prayerful consideration, each of us will decide on the amount of our financial commitments to our Westminster 2020 - Forward in Faith Campaign. Pledges to our capital campaign are above and beyond our regular offering and may be contributed as a one-time gift or in monthly, quarterly or annual payments over the three years ending in May 2021. You will soon receive a mailing with a commitment card and an envelope. Bring these with you to church on June 3rd.

June 2018: Commitment Follow-Up Visits

Because we hope to have a 100% response to our capital campaign, we will reach out to those who have not made a commitment by June 3rd. The purpose of these visits is to answer any questions, provide information, and receive each household's pledge.

June 17: Celebration Worship Service

We will share the results of the commitments received to date, and give thanks to God for abundance in the life our church.

Forward in Faith Children's Party

Sunday, June 3rd 10:00 AM
During Worship Service

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Prayer and Discernment

When we think about our giving to the church, have you ever noticed how easy it can be to think we can't possibly do any more than we're already doing? But when we take the time to be still with God, we become more aware of the blessings that fill our lives.

Before any of us can make a good decision about our ability to support our **Westminster 2020 - Forward in Faith Campaign**, it is important to spend some time in prayer and

discernment, listening for God's guidance. What are we being called to do?

As you consider how God has blessed you in your life and through your participation at Westminster, please consider with joy what you can commit.

We can do all things in God who strengthens us. With all of us working together, we will indeed fulfill our mission!

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2 Corinthians 9:8