



**BASEHOR
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Sharing
God's LOVE ~

Expanding Capital Campaign 2007

Our MINISTRY

From your pastor

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And 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. As it is written, “He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures forever.

— 2 Corinthians 9:6-9

The Apostle Paul, who wrote these words of scripture, reached out to share the gospel, and built many churches (communities of faith — not buildings). His vision was expansive — far-reaching, stretching beyond what most people of his day thought possible. Paul believed in the theology of abundance! Out of the abundance of God’s grace, we will always have enough to share abundantly in every good work.

We who still believe in God’s abundance, even today, seek to continue the expansion of ministry “in every good work.” By desiring to expand our vision for ministry at Basehor UMC, we are doing

no less than standing upon the shoulders of the Apostle Paul and other giants of faith who have gone before us.

This capital campaign is not really about us, even though we are the ones who will decide to act and commit on June 17th. It is about God. It is about tomorrow. It is about people coming to faith decades from now. What we sow today we may never see come to fruition for we may move, or go on to our final reward. Regardless, our faith reminds us, that our bounteous, righteous, loving God will endure forever.

Our challenge remains... how much will we “sow” to expand our ministry?

Pastor Howard

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On the following pages, you will find information that will help you decide on your commitment to the *Sharing God's Love ~ Expanding Our Ministry Campaign*. Please read this information carefully.



OUR CAMPAIGN GOAL

Campaign Target Is to Raise \$250,000 in Pledges

God is calling us to witness the love and grace of Christ – to those who currently call Basehor United Methodist Church home and to the growing community that surrounds our church. In May 2007, our congregation developed the following vision statement:

At Basehor United Methodist Church, we want to share our love of God and each other with our community.
We are committed to growing the number of Christ's followers and deepening the faith of our members. As part of our congregational vision, we want to work towards developing more outreach and ministry for families, children, and youth.
We believe this will require a capital campaign to reduce our debt and plan for expanded programs. We believe that by embarking on this project as a congregation, we can draw together as a community called to share Christ's love.

We now embark upon a capital campaign to make our vision a reality. The funds we raise will improve our financial condition and provide funds which will be used to make our church more visible in our growing community, and to expand our ministry programs. We are blessed to have a congregation of dedicated people who are committed to growing our ministries and our church family.

You will have the opportunity to have your questions answered when you are contacted by one of the Campaign Ambassadors before you bring your pledge on Commitment Sunday, June 17, 2007.

Sharing God's LOVE

DOING IT RIGHT



CAMPAIGN PRAYER

God of Abundant Grace,

Open our hearts and minds to your spirit that we may know your love.

Move us to fling wide our doors in ministry to all people.

In this time of challenge and opportunity may we catch your vision for Basehor United Methodist Church and grow into all you would have us become.

Amen

OUR VISION

For 130 years, Basehor United Methodist has been a special church community for residents of Basehor and the surrounding area. As we look to the future, we envision our church as a vibrant, ever-growing community of faith where members experience the presence of God in a special way.

We envision a church that is welcoming, visible throughout our community, and which ministers to our members and our community with programs for all ages. As stated in the Campaign Prayer, we want to fling wide our doors in ministry to all people.

OUR PLAN

We are fortunate to have a caring congregation and a beautiful property upon which our church can continue to grow in the coming years. The next step for our church is to expand our ministries and grow our congregation. Capital campaign funds for ministry expansion will allow us to offer new programs which will reach out to children, adults, and young families.

Our plan is to use funds raised through this campaign to add to our ministry staff, purchase program resources, provide childcare staffing, and underwrite advertising and marketing efforts. We will also use funds raised to greatly reduce our loan debt, which will allow us to increase our cash flow for ministry uses.

OUR CAMPAIGN GOAL

The target for this campaign is \$250,000.

We will use \$150,000 of funds raised to reduce our loan debt principal.

We will use the remaining \$100,000 to help underwrite a new staff position and to fund ministry expansion needs.

When the campaign exceeds its goal, the Administrative Council will evaluate and provide a recommendation to the congregation of how the excess funds will be distributed between the areas of campaign focus.

Campaign goal.....	\$250,000
Loan debt reduction.....	\$150,000
Ministry expansion	\$100,000



Expanding Our MINISTRY

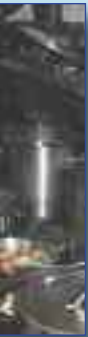
The Decision to Give

For many of us, our participation in the *Sharing God's Love ~ Expanding Our Ministry* campaign will be the largest charitable commitment of our lifetimes. ***Please take time to consider the following as you make your decision about your pledge:***

- Please pray to discern what God might ask of you in this campaign.
- Basehor United Methodist Church needs each of us to make a sacrificial gift. We are all aware of the need to provide for our current members, as well as the ones who will follow us.
- Every gift, regardless of the size, will be an important contribution to the campaign.
- All funds pledged will be used toward reducing our loan debt and expanding our ministries.
- Discuss with all members of your family what this opportunity to participate in the capital campaign means.
- Remember in your prayers all who have served in this campaign and those who have contributed to building and maintaining this church community over the past 130 years.

“You see that his faith and his actions were working together, and his faith was made complete by what he did.”

— James 2:22
from New International
Version



Commitment Sunday is June 17, 2007.

NOW IS THE TIME

When should I make my pledge?

June 17 is our Commitment Sunday. We ask that you bring your pledge card to church on that day. If you will not be able to attend church on June 17, please mail in your pledge prior to that weekend.

How much should I give?

Each household is asked to make a sacrificial gift to the campaign. Our goal is for every household in the congregation to consider giving three percent of gross household income for each of the next three years, or a one-time gift of three percent of your assets.



THREE-PERCENT GIVING CHART

ANNUAL INCOME	3% ANNUAL GIFT	3-YEAR TOTAL GIFT	PAID ANNUALLY	PAID MONTHLY	PAID WEEKLY
\$150,000	\$4,500	\$13,500	\$4,500	\$375	\$86
\$125,000	\$3,750	\$11,250	\$3,750	\$312	\$72
\$100,000	\$3,000	\$9,000	\$3,000	\$250	\$58
\$75,000	\$2,250	\$6,750	\$2,250	\$187	\$43
\$50,000	\$1,500	\$4,500	\$1,500	\$125	\$29
\$25,000	\$750	\$2,250	\$750	\$62	\$14
\$10,000	\$300	\$900	\$300	\$25	\$6



This pledge is over and above your regular giving to the church. You can pay your 3-year pledge weekly, monthly, quarterly, annually or all at once. Your contribution is tax-deductible. **Please remember that this pledge is in addition to your regular giving to Basehor United Methodist Church.**

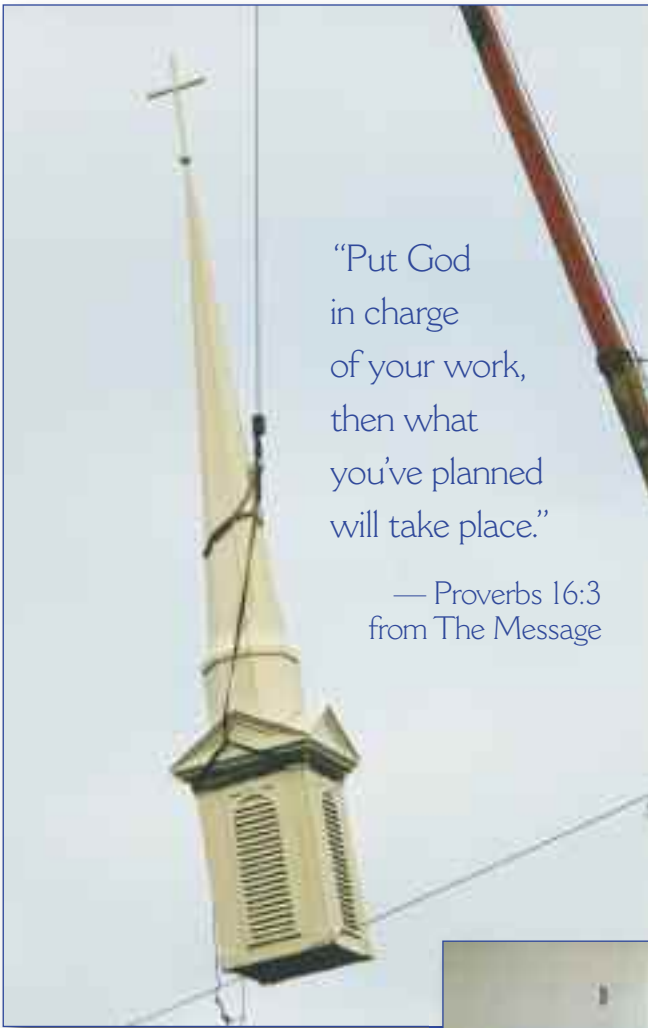
May I give stock instead of cash?

Donating appreciated stock or property is an optional way to give. You can save paying capital gains and get a tax deduction. If you are interested in more information about this, contact Pat Larson in the church office at 913-724-2077.



You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God.

— 2 Corinthians 9:11-12



“Put God
in charge
of your work,
then what
you’ve planned
will take place.”

— Proverbs 16:3
from The Message

Please bring your
pledge card to church
on June 17. You can
make your first pledge
payment at that time.



In Recognition

During the past 130 years, members of Basehor United Methodist Church have stepped forward. They did what was necessary to ensure that members always had a church in which to worship and share as a community, even in the face of adversity. We continue to recognize and honor them for the sacrifices they have made.

The Thanks Committee is planning to recognize all those who contribute to our church campaign. Each person or family that makes a pledge will receive a beautiful engraved gold bookmark in appreciation of their generosity and continued support of our church.

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THROUGH THE YEARS

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

1877



The Basehor United Methodist Church has a rich history. For 130 years Methodists have worshiped in Basehor. Our church was founded in 1877 with services being given in German.

Three locations have claimed the church as home: the first was located just north of the Pin Oak subdivision. That building was moved to the second site at the southwest corner of 155th Terrace and Maple.

In the mid-1990s, we voted to search for a new site. However, our time table was moved up when our 120-year-old church was destroyed by fire in November of 1997.

The next three years we worshipped in our educational building on the old site. In September of 2000, we began holding services in the new Basehor-Linwood High School auditorium.

Land became available and upon its purchase, we began raising funds for our present building — our third location. During 2002, we held our groundbreaking, began construction, and even held two services in our partially completed sanctuary.

Our new sanctuary was consecrated in March 2003. Throughout our history, God has enabled us to know God's love and share it with others — no matter where we are.

1911



1977



2003

