September 8, 2020

Friends,

Ten years ago, consultants from Lifeway presented the church with its strategic recommendations, chief among them the expansion of our sanctuary and modernizing our facilities. The Executive Church Council established the Building Committee on January 2011, with the Capital Stewardship Committee created shortly thereafter. As we enter our new sanctuary in the coming weeks, it is important to recognize that this goal has been more than a decade in the making, with a multitude of church leaders and committee members seeing this project to fruition.

Now we will have a beautiful and highly functional building that will meet our needs for generations to come. It will be our base and gathering place for a church attempting to impact its community and the entire world.

The Preparing the Way campaign has been crucial to the success of this project. The first three-year campaign began with Pledge Sunday in March 15, 2015, with the second three-year campaign kicking off at the groundbreaking on June 10, 2018. To date, these two campaigns have raised nearly $7 million, with the Building Fund raising nearly $500,000 in 2020—in a challenging economy and an unprecedented time for our church. The goal remains $1 million for this year, and in the end, we know that God will continue to provide for this church and its ministry. We have been blessed to have so many of you giving generously to this project. **I would encourage you to make a strong contribution towards this goal before the end of the year.**

Stand by: we will enter the new sanctuary just as soon as we get the all clear to do so. There will be a formal dedication later in the fall.

Sincerely,

Don Davidson
Senior Pastor

*"Enlarge the place of your tent, stretch your tent curtains wide, do not hold back;
lengthen your cords, strengthen your stakes. For you will spread out to the right and to the left;
your descendants will dispossess nations and settle in their desolate cities." (Isaiah 54:2-3)*

Helpful Links:
- Preparing the Way updates
- How to give