



The Campaign for **St. Paul's Episcopal Church**



OUR PRAYER

Holy and Gracious God, as we look to the future, we give you thanks for the diverse witness of those on whose shoulders we now stand.

Guide our discernment and decisions; fill our hearts with compassion and wisdom; and empower us to live into the fullness of your beloved community for all God's people.

In the name of the Risen Christ. Amen.



We will recount to generations to come...
the wonderful works God has done.
Psalm 78:4

OUR STORY

Thanks to the grace of God and the care and commitment of those who have gone before us, St. Paul's Piney Parish has been a refuge of hope, healing, and belonging since 1768. While many churches across the nation struggle to stay open, we are radiant with God's unconditional welcome, intergenerational community, wondrous diversity, and the beauty of the Episcopal tradition. In a time of increasing division and isolation in our world, our ministry of Christ-centered love and compassion has never been more important.

OUR NEED

Just as prior generations lovingly cared for St. Paul's, we, too, have the opportunity to ensure that St. Paul's flourishes for decades to come. Although we have faithfully tended to our building and grounds over the years, some needs extend beyond the scope of the annual operating budget. After extensive prayer and study, guidance from the Building & Grounds Team and local contractors, and feedback from the congregation, we are embarking upon a once-in-a-generation capital campaign to build a bright future:

**“Generation to Generation:
Caring for What We Treasure.”**

OUR INVITATION

Consider the significance of St. Paul's in your life and the lives of those you love. Consider the importance of St. Paul's' welcoming embrace to those longing for peace. Consider what life might look like without St. Paul's ministry. This campaign is not simply about bricks and mortar. It's about honoring the sacred spaces and ministries where hearts are healed, lives are transformed, and God's love overflows.

OUR PROMISE

We will honor and build upon what was.

We will joyfully care for what is.

We will ensure that future generations experience St. Paul's
as a refuge of God's enduring love.

CARING FOR WHAT WE TREASURE



Caring for Creation & Our Finite Resources *Energy-Efficient Electric Heating System*

\$150,000

We will care for creation and our finite resources by updating our 30+ year-old oil-fueled boiler with an energy-efficient electric heating system. This will reduce yearly operating and maintenance costs, lower our carbon footprint, and help us to embody our belief that loving all aspects of God's creation *is* a commitment, not a sentiment.



Caring for Our Facility *Exterior & Interior Renovations*

\$295,000

We will fortify and update the spaces where we gather for worship and connection, so that current and future generations can experience the sublime grace of gathering in a beautiful, welcoming, and safe space.

- Replace water-damaged rolling sacristy roof
- Paint building and window trim & replace rotting bell tower eaves
- Replace outdated & hazardous electric panel
- Upgrade livestream to support growing online ministry
- Reseal stained glass window
- Install new glass door panels to eliminate outside air
- Re-seal and re-stripe parking lot to ensure longevity, safety, and appearance
- Install new carpet & flooring in the church, hallway, parish hall, and basement
- Paint church interior
- Install pew cushions for a more comfortable and welcoming experience
- Endow at least \$30,000 in the Building & Grounds Investment Reserve



Caring for One Another *Wheelchair Accessibility*

\$35,000

We will live into our longstanding spirit of inclusivity and welcome by making the Welcome Center, breezeway (entrance next to the church sanctuary), and restrooms wheelchair accessible. This will also ensure compliance with current ADA laws.



Caring for God's Beloved Community *Loving Our Neighbors*

\$45,000

We will expand our capacity to be Jesus' hands and feet by partnering with Lifestyles to complete and furnish the "St. Paul's Apartment," a 2-bedroom unit at Lifestyle's Southern Crossing in Bel Alton (*the county's only transitional housing*). We will endow at least \$30,000 in an investment fund for ongoing ministry with our community.

OUR GOAL

\$525,000

Funds received in excess of this goal will be equally distributed among the “Loving Our Neighbors” Community Ministry Fund and the Building & Grounds Investment Reserve.

RESPONDING TO GOD’S CALL

PRAY

Pray for our fellow parishioners, our leaders, and our ongoing discernment and unity.

REFLECT

- How might God be calling me to grow in faith through my commitment?
- How might I help to strengthen St. Paul’s for future generations to enjoy, just as past generations have done for me and those I love?
- How can my giving reflect the role of St. Paul’s in my life and in the community?
- Does this investment make a difference to me?

COMMIT

No pledge is too small. No pledge is too large.

Return the enclosed pledge card or submit your pledge online by **September 20.**

CELEBRATE

Celebrate God’s faithfulness and your generosity!



WAYS TO GIVE

While annual pledges often come from current resources, such as checking and savings, gifts for capital campaigns can be contributed in other ways.

Check or Online Payments

We welcome gifts of cash, check, online payment, or automated payments from your bank via online bill pay. Gifts may be paid over 5 years.

IRA Charitable Distribution

Individuals age 70.5 or older can make a commitment through a tax-free Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). A QCD is a direct transfer of funds from your IRA to St. Paul's. QCDs can be counted toward satisfying your required annual minimum distributions.

Appreciated Stocks, Bonds, Mutual Funds

St. Paul's can accept gifts of stocks, bonds, or mutual funds. For example: stock purchased years ago for \$5,000 could have a market value of \$20,000. Rather than selling the stock and paying income tax on the \$15,000 capital gain, you can transfer the stock to the church and take a tax deduction based on the market value of the stock at the time of the gift.

Life Insurance

You can give the cash value accumulated in a policy or donate the annual dividends of a policy that has outlived its original purpose.

Planned Giving

Opportunities may include:

- Donor-Advised Fund (DAF)
- Bequests from a will or living trust
- Real estate

This information is not tax or legal advice. Consult your own qualified professional advisor for specific recommendations.

GIVING TIMELINE

3 Years

5 Years

Gift Amount	Annually 3 payments	Quarterly 12 payments	Monthly 36 payments	Annually 5 payments	Quarterly 20 payments	Monthly 60 payments
\$200,000	\$66,667	\$16,667	\$5,556	\$40,000	\$10,000	\$3,333
\$100,000	\$33,333	\$8,333	\$2,778	\$20,000	\$5,000	\$1,667
\$75,000	\$25,000	\$6,250	\$2,083	\$15,000	\$3,750	\$1,042
\$50,000	\$16,667	\$4,167	\$1,389	\$10,000	\$2,500	\$833
\$25,000	\$8,333	\$2,083	\$694	\$5,000	\$1,250	\$417
\$15,000	\$5,000	\$1,250	\$417	\$3,000	\$750	\$250
\$10,000	\$3,333	\$833	\$278	\$2,000	\$500	\$167
\$7,500	\$2,500	\$625	\$208	\$1,500	\$375	\$125
\$5,000	\$1,667	\$417	\$139	\$1,000	\$250	\$83
\$4,000	\$1,333	\$333	\$111	\$800	\$200	\$67
\$2,500	\$833	\$208	\$69	\$500	\$125	\$42
* \$1,968	\$656	\$164	\$55	\$394	\$98	\$33
\$1,000	\$333	\$83	\$28	\$200	\$50	\$17

* 1968 is the year when St. Paul's went from being a chapel of Christ Church (La Plata) to an independent parish.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is a Capital Campaign? Does this replace the annual stewardship campaign?

Our annual stewardship pledges fund the daily operations of the church through utilities, maintenance, salaries, parish life, etc. A capital campaign is a one-time event that addresses major projects that are essential to long-term vitality. A commitment to “Generation to Generation” is in addition to your annual pledge—not in place of it. This is an invitation to have a life-giving ripple effect for decades to come.

When and how do I pay my pledge to the “Generation to Generation” Campaign?

Your capital campaign commitment may be paid as a one-time gift or in weekly, monthly, quarterly, or annual installments over the course of **5 years**.

How will projects be prioritized? What is the timeline for implementation?

Projects are listed in order of greatest need, with the most pressing concerns being the heating system and sacristy roof. Recent inspection of the roof indicated water damage and increased sponginess, placing us at risk of interior decay. Replacing the boiler with a heat pump will reduce operating costs by up to \$5,000/year, and maintenance costs by up to \$3,000/year. Due to the importance of replacing these items, we will secure a line-of-credit, so that work can begin in fall 2024. As funds are received, the line-of-credit will be paid back in full before other work begins. Other projects will begin as pledges are fulfilled. For more details, visit:

www.stpaulswaldorf.org/campaignfaq.



What is the origin of the “Loving Our Neighbors” Fund & Southern Crossing Project?

Ensuring the wellbeing and dignity of every person is one of our core values. Findings from the congregational feasibility study affirmed this as a priority as well. Southern Crossing was selected because of our longstanding relationship with Lifestyles and our active participation in the demolition of the former hotel that will house the new units. An endowed interest-bearing “Loving Our Neighbors” fund will lessen our dependence on short-term grants and fundraisers.

What are the spiritual benefits of this campaign?

By strengthening our infrastructure, we free up energy to focus on worship, service, and deepening our connection with God and one another. By addressing building accessibility and our ministry in the community, this campaign helps us to live out our values of welcome, inclusion, and service.

Is there anything else I should know?

Yes—**Thank You**. **Thank you** for your presence. **Thank you** for your sacrifice. St. Pauls is steady and strong because our community is generous.



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*Scan the QR code for additional FAQs,
a photo tour of the project areas,
a summary of our financial outlook,
and an online pledge form.*

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open arms, listening hearts, serving hands, and diverse voices...
because we believe that Christ's love is a commitment not a sentiment.*



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