



ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
221 Union Street • Cary, North Carolina 27511

March 26, 2021

Dear Parishioners

On behalf of the Welcoming in Christ Campaign Committee, we hope this letter finds you and your family well. As you may recall, in the spring of 2018, almost three years ago, we initiated an ambitious Capital Campaign to undertake extensive renovation and upgrades to our facilities. Included in that was fixing the foundations of our Education Building and setting aside \$300,000 for long term maintenance needs that had built up over the last few years and will continue into the future. Through the amazing generosity of our parishioners, we received pledges of about \$1.8 Million. This is about twice our annual operating budget which campaign consultants say is a very successful campaign.

We fixed the foundations of the Ed Building, repaired the drainage pond, replaced dying air conditioner units and made plans with our architect and our builder. Now we are in the midst of a major overhaul and upgrade of our children's and preschool facilities, doubling the size of our kitchen, creating a much more attractive entryway into our parish hall and a number of other projects. While we are unfortunately required to be away from our campus, workers are there making exciting improvements. By the time we are able to gather at our beloved St. Paul's again, you will be able to move from offices into the Parish Hall without getting wet on rainy days, bathrooms will be available in the new addition to the Parish Hall and children's classrooms will be larger and brighter places to play.

As with any project there have been unforeseen events. Soil under where the expansion is being built had to be replaced (not a real surprise due to our history with foundations on that side of the building), a new fire alarm system had to be installed and it was discovered that the electrical outlets were not properly grounded so more extensive rewiring was required. None of these events is catastrophic, but to remedy them all cost money. This leaves a gap of about \$250,000.

If you are one of the many parishioners who contributed to our campaign, we again thank you, and ask if you can consider an additional gift that will help us close this funding gap. Our commitment remains not to incur any additional debt from this project. We hope that you might consider one of two options for contributing. The first would be to add a fourth year of giving to your gift if your contribution was made monthly or annually. The second option would be a one-time gift equal to approximately one third of your contribution to the campaign. If you did not give previously, please consider making a pledge at this time. We hope that you will consider helping St. Paul's in one of these ways if you are able.

Enclosed please find a pledge form, or you may pledge online at the St. Paul's website. We know that parishioners will enjoy these facility improvements for years to come thanks to your continued support and generosity! We thank you.

In Christ,

The Rev. George Adamik
Rector

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Campaign Co-Chair

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