

Dear Members, Associates, and Friends,

The Capital Campaign Task Force (CCTF) gave its final report to the congregation at the Annual Meeting on Sunday. After completing the Financial Feasibility Study in January 2017, Mark Ewert, our Generosity Consultant, projected that we would raise between \$800,000 and \$1,000,000. He said that it would be a stretch for us to reach \$1,400,000. **We are pleased to announce that our tally as of today is almost \$1,500,000!**

As you know, our planned renovations and construction are estimated to cost \$1,200,000. We needed an additional \$400,000 to pay off the legacy loan, and \$100,000 for fees and construction loan interest, bringing our fundraising goal to \$1,700,000. Because we received a number of capital campaign commitments early, the Board decided to pay off the loan one year early, which saved us over \$25,000 in interest and allowed this year's rental income from the Preschool to be deposited in the Capital Fund.

The Building Task Force—Brad Kosiba, Josh Socolar, Maggie Scarborough, Tracy Kuhlman, Anna Waller, and Gary Giles—will be working with the engineer and the architect this summer to prepare final plans for congregational approval on October 14th. There will be opportunities for input from the congregation, and the BTF will be working diligently to reconcile our funds with our wishes. Because of the permitting process with the Town of Chapel Hill, we likely will start construction in mid-2019.

There was enthusiastic support at the Annual Meeting for asking our members to dig a little deeper to help close the gap between what we've raised and what we need. We're so close to having enough to meet all the identified needs! **Won't you please consider increasing your pledge?** An increase of any amount (\$10,000, \$1,000, \$100, \$25) will help ensure that we get the most efficient toilets, automatic door openers, better office space for the Music Program, and improved acoustics in the Community Room, among other things.

For your convenience, we've attached an [Increased Commitment Form](#) with instructions on how to return it to Andrea.

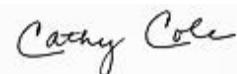
This is the last official act of the CCTF. We want to thank everyone for their generosity, enthusiasm, and support. You made our jobs so much easier!



Paige Smith



Ivy Brezina



Cathy Cole