

Glyndon United Methodist Church Capital Campaign Newsletter

October 2017

Introducing the Capital Campaign

Restore, Renew & Reach Out

For nearly 140 years Glyndon United Methodist Church (GUMC) has lived out its commitment to the work of Christ through vibrant worship, spirited preaching, intentional ministry, formative education, hands-on missions, and authentic Christian fellowship. It survived a fire in 1929 with a new building dedicated in 1931. GUMC is a traditional church and a caring spiritual community in which members are challenged to reach more people with the message of God's love and acceptance through Jesus Christ. In furtherance and support of this original vision, church leaders identified several strategic priorities for a capital campaign totaling approximately \$425,000. In June 2017 GUMC retained the services of Hewett Consulting LLC to conduct an intensive initiative to fund these projects.

Much as we must maintain our own mental and physical health and our relationship to God, we must also provide for the care and needs of GUMC. In order to do so, the following projects are identified to restore and renew our church facilities to assure they are safe and inviting for generations to come:

- Repair/replace the 86-year-old slate roof on the church and parsonage.
- Replace the carpet in the sanctuary and common areas to remove trip hazards and improve the attractiveness of our building. (continued on page 3)

"Glory to God,
who is able to
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Ephesians 3:20



Capital Campaign Leadership Team

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Meet the Leadership Team

Campaign Directors: Jack Anderson and Kevin Hulsing are the lay leaders of the campaign who will coordinate the work of the Leadership Team and inform the congregation of progress.

Coordinator: Gayle Dix acts as the liaisons between all the directors, pastor, campaign directors and consultant throughout the campaign program.

Vision Awareness Directors: Dean Nash, Odelle Read will lead and implement a churchwide effort to provide information about the ministry vision for the campaign projects.

Leader Cultivation Directors: Chuck Bradley, Ric Surino will cultivate commitments from campaign leaders and those with capacity for leadership gifts.

Spiritual Life Directors: Kathy Rittler, Dawn Stewart will lay a spiritual foundation for the capital campaign through devotional guides and prayer events.

Alumni & Friends Directors: Ron & Peggy Heffner, Dan Marshall cultivate former members and current non-member friends of the church, encouraging their prayers and financial support.

Ministry Celebration Directors: Robin Krell, Joan Poling are responsible for promoting the ministries funded through the 2018 operating budget through a churchwide Ministry Celebration.

Children & Youth Directors: Laura Oneto, Ericka Ault involve children and youth in stewardship education activities, encouraging their active participation in the campaign at age-appropriate levels.

Communications Directors: Lou Bergstrom, Lee Wroe, will coordinate publicity and inform the congregation of the meaning and message of the program through a variety of printed materials.

Mailing Directors: Zeenie Burns, Kathy Marshall will coordinate all materials, mailings and other information used during the campaign.

Hospitality Directors: Ruth Mayr, Jan Bradley are responsible for providing food and drink for all Vision Awareness gatherings and end-of-campaign celebration.

Commitment Directors: Bob Rittler, Allan Wroe will contact all those not registering a response on Commitment Sunday, encourage participation in and offer prayer support for the project.



Jack Anderson has been a member of GUMC since July 1994 when he and wife Kathy, who is the Director of Music and the Organist, joined the church. Over the years, Jack has chaired the Missions Committee, the Administrative Council, and the Finance and Stewardship Committee, and sung in the adult choir. He has also participated on a number of mission trips, including to North Carolina and Kentucky. Outside of GUMC, Jack is the President/CEO of a consulting firm that works for federal agencies on health, housing and environmental issues. Additionally, he is a Certified Appraiser of antique, classic, and special interest vehicles.



Kevin Hulsing is the husband of Pastor Dawnhe arrived at the same time as his wife in July of 2015. He enjoys helping out when he can in such missions as picking vegetables for First Fruits Farm, packing foods or setting out clothes at Timber Grove and doing yard work for Baltimore County Christian Workcamp. He realizes that work needs to be done to our church to keep it as a shining beacon for the community in Glyndon, MD, and so he wants to help make this Capital Campaign a success. If ever you have a question or need help, never hesitate to ask.

Key Dates

- Fellowship Gathering #1
 Friday, Nov 3rd, 7-8:30 pm
- Fellowship Gathering #2
 Saturday, Nov 4th, 5:30-7pm
- Vision Awareness Meeting Sunday, Nov 5th, 12 pm;
 Wednesday, Nov 8th, 6pm
- Prayer Stations
 Friday, Nov 10th, 4-8pm
- Homecoming and Ministry Celebration
 Sunday, Nov 12th
- Prayer Vigil
 Saturday, Nov 18th
- Commitment Sunday
 Sunday, Nov 19th



Meet the Consultant

John H. Hewett

John H. Hewett, President and CEO of Hewett Consulting has been leading nonprofit organizations for over 40 years. His firm guides churches and nonprofits nationwide in strategic planning, fundraising, leadership development, conflict resolution and executive search.

A native of Florida, he graduated from Stetson University and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, which awarded him the Master of Divinity and Doctor of Philosophy degrees.



A widely-traveled speaker and writer, Dr. Hewett is in frequent demand as a teacher, consultant and facilitator of best practices in nonprofit organizational leadership.

He is the father of two grown sons and grandpa to two perfect granddaughters.

Introducing the Capital Campaign

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- Restore and renew the ramp, sidewalk, and entryway to ensure the safety
 of all and improve the visual appeal of our primary entryway.
- Upgrade the audio system in the sanctuary and Dew Hall which will be augmented by video capacity to enhance worship experience.
- Upgrade and modernize the kitchen so that it passes state certification requirements to enable us to serve the wider community.
- Construct a pavilion and install new playground equipment in the "backyard" to create an outdoor worship and fellowship space and to provide a community gathering place.

To achieve these visionary goals, we are beginning a 3-year capital campaign to raise these funds. With your help, and God's guidance, we believe we will exceed this goal and also retire or significantly reduce the mortgage. As we each take a deeply introspective view of our own capacity for giving, let us prayerfully devote ourselves and a portion of our resources to the life of historic Glyndon United Methodist Church.

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A Word From Pastor Dawn

Brothers and Sisters in Christ, what an exciting time we are in here at Glyndon UMC! I remember when I first arrived in July 2015 that we prayed together Paul's prayer from Ephesians 3:14-21 and now we are claiming this reminder from Ephesians 3:20 as the focal verse of our Capital Campaign: "Glory to God, who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine by his power at work within us." God has already done so much in and through us and I am confident that God can and will do more than we can imagine!

Our Capital Campaign journey, to Restore, Renew, and Reach Out is spiritual and practical, reflecting our Wesleyan heritage. I am convinced that renewed in faith, we can commit our finances for the restoration of this building, that we might continue to reach out to this community in service to Christ for the next 50 years. My request to you is to openly journey with us – in prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness – that we might see what God can do with our offerings.

In grace and hope,

Pastor Dawn

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