

YOUR PLEDGE PACKET

Today, you have an opportunity to take your campaign pledge packet home to prayerfully and privately consider your personal commitment to St. Luke. Included in your packet you will find an invitation to respond brochure, a white pledge card for the Capital Fund with instructions on side 2 and a yellow pledge card for the remaining six months of annual 2013 operating fund and for the 2014 annual operating fund with instructions on side 2 and a labeled return envelope. You may recall, we did not have an annual fund pledge last fall.

We do not plan to conduct a pledge process later this year. Instead, we will report and update members and inform new members about the three-year capital campaign and the financial commitments needed to meet our annual expenses. If you have questions about completing these pledge cards, please contact Mary Plothow or Leslie Singrey in the church office. We look forward to June 2nd when you may bring your pledge cards to worship and place them in the campaign collection basket. Members who have provided early pledges will have an opportunity to place a "Build Us Up Lord" card in the basket on June 2nd.

Capital Fund Pledge Card—White, 2 sides

This pledge card provides funds toward our \$2 million capital fund for implementing stage one of our capital campaign. It's important to provide a total amount and to let us know how you plan to distribute your payments over the three years. We will plan for initial donations to begin in July 2013 unless you provide a different date. Instructions and additional ways of giving are shown on side 2.

You may also make your donations electronically by signing up for the Simply Giving® service.

Annual Fund Pledge Card—Yellow, 2 sides

This pledge card provides space for you to pledge for the remaining months of 2013 and for the entire year 2014. Instructions and additional ways of giving are shown on side 2.

You may also make your donations electronically by signing up for the Simply Giving® service.



OUR CAMPAIGN GOALS



Capital Fund: Raise \$2 million over the next three years to fund the first stage of the St. Luke 2012 Master Plan

Early Pledges: \$880,000 toward our goal of \$2 million

Annual Budgets: Raise the remaining annual funds needed to meet the Church's \$1.1 million 2013 operating expenses

Pledge for 2014 ministries and programs

Legacy Giving: Raise awareness and encourage participation

Take a Tour or Two on June 2nd

At 11 a.m. meet near the church office for a guided tour of our buildings. All areas are not easily accessible and walking shoes are recommended. We will show new members where spaces are and what modifications are included in Stage One of the Master Plan.

After the 11 a.m. service we will take a tour of our stained glass in the Sanctuary.

Questions, Comments, Feedback

Your questions are important to us. Maripat Hensel, 503-244-3232, henselm@comcast.net, will meet with you if you want to talk more about the campaign or send her an e-mail message with your thoughts. She will collect information about your property related questions and provide your messages to the church council for review in July.

Lights, action, camera or pencil and paper

Send us your video or an e-mail message to mystorystluke@gmail.com or place your story card in the glass jar labeled My Story in the narthex.

If you have not looked at the videos that are posted on the website, we encourage you to take 10 minutes to watch the messages about choir, SLY, fellowship, Peace & Justice and worship participation. Thanks to everyone who participated — your stories tell our story.

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Week 6

THE
CAMPAIGN
FOR
ST. LUKE

This is the spirit of truth whom the world cannot receive...you know him because he abides in you

John 14:17

ST. LUKE YOUTH

Three weeks ago, our youth ministry (SLY) engaged in a 30 hour famine to raise awareness for food insecurity issues in our community, nation and worldwide. Here is a picture of the youth making preparing “sock lunches” for the homeless while they themselves are fasting.



During the 30 hours, the youth also took turns telling their story of what St Luke means to them. Here are some excerpts from their videos:

Chris: SLY is like my second family...when I come here, I feel like I make a difference in the world.

McKenna: My favorite memory in high school group so far was when I went to Las Vegas on a mission trip. I loved how everyone became so close and we were like a family. It was fun to serve others and meet new people.

Brandon: I value St Luke because it's a community that sings together and prays together...more than that, it's a community that cares for people as a whole...it's because they love people and because it's the right thing to do.

Catherine: My favorite thing we've ever done in SLY is went we went to New Orleans...we were with 37,000 other Lutheran kids, and everybody was so into it and so accepting, I felt so safe. It makes me really proud to be a part of this.

Sarah: I know there are so many people here who care about me.

Lauren: Coming to St Luke has made my faith so much stronger because I've been able to see firsthand the power of God's love and the impact it can make.

Patrick: The most meaningful thing I have done is sock lunches. We assemble bags full of food and socks and then go downtown and distribute them to the homeless. It is really nice to make a difference in people's lives.

Katrina: I don't think I would be anywhere without them (St Luke Youth).

One consistent theme throughout the videos was that the youth focused not only on what St Luke provides to them through friendships and relationships, but they also focused on how SLY has taught them how to make a difference and be shining lights in their communities. It is impossible to watch them without feeling a sense of hope and newness for our next generation.

Over the last five weeks, members of St. Luke have responded to a call to submit short videos to a new YouTube channel called My Story. Dozens of videos are posted there with people of all ages and all durations of membership telling their story of faith and personal journey as a part of St Luke. We encourage you to visit the page and listen to the stories of your fellow members (they are available on the front page of the church website) and also to submit your own story. If you want someone to show you the videos contact the church office and we will set up a computer for you to view them.

We thank our youth for leading the way!



DID YOU KNOW?

- During the campaign daily devotionals are being written by the Spiritual Task Force members of the campaign team. Copies of these devotionals are available in the narthex for anyone who does not receive them by e-mail.
- We have a list of over 96 ways you may participate in our ministries and programs. Check out the long list on the wall in the narthex. Your talents, heart and hands are needed.
- Our Sunday School Children created blueprints for their Sunday School classrooms. These blueprints are posted on the back of their display with hands in the Sanctuary. Take a look or ask your child or grandchild what was included.
- The JOY group heard more about the campaign and how all of the elements of the work are integrated. Look for the outlines of their bright purple hands and their thoughts in the narthex.
- Over 15 Task Force members participated in packaging your pledge envelopes. It takes many hands to cut, label, and alphabetize for distribution today and by post this week.
- We are venturing out beyond our doors to collect more stories. Stories of our past that allow us to further understand what it means to build on our faith and link generations together. Don't be surprised if you are called to meet with a campaign team member and asked to explain a program, ministry or how we acquired property in the 1950's.
- The Spirit sets us free to say "yes" to newness.
- A picture is worth a thousand words — send us your photos. We want to share them throughout our 70th anniversary year. Or, take photos for us to use regularly.



**Set in our hearts the power of your word
to spread the news of your son**

Hymn 670