

**EVERY
GENERATION
FAITHFUL
TOGETHER**

**ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN**



REV. LUKE ANDERSON
PASTOR

As I walked the halls of St. Paul during my first visit here, there was one place that compelled me to stop and stand in awe, a place I kept thinking about during my weeks of deliberating the Call to serve here. It was the “Confirmation Wall.” Picture after picture of Confirmation classes, beginning in 1904 and continuing through the present day. This wall drove home one thought: “St. Paul has a rich and inspiring history. St. Paul is a community of generational faithfulness.”

We are here today, by God’s grace, because every generation before us has come together and faithfully met the opportunities to keep people rooted in Jesus. And now we are called to stand together with generations past. This campaign is an opportunity to expand our mission. An opportunity to root more people in Jesus. An opportunity to be faithful.

The “Confirmation Wall” was never about the wall itself. It was about the faces, the people, those uniquely created and redeemed by God. Let us go forward together in faithfulness, spurred on by the Holy Spirit, that the walls of St. Paul may boldly declare:

EVERY GENERATION FAITHFUL TOGETHER.



MICHAEL YURK
SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

For 172 years, St. Paul has been committed to shaping lives for Christian service by providing educational excellence in a Christ-centered environment. Generation after generation, we have shaped students that are faithful, confident, caring, and disciplined.

The **EVERY GENERATION FAITHFUL TOGETHER** Capital Campaign allows us to provide for future generations that will attend St. Paul. We will be able to retire the 70-year-old “south wing” and add space to meet our ministry needs in the church and school.

Please join me in prayerfully considering God’s plan for St. Paul and how you can help support us as we boldly respond to God’s blessings for generations to come.



BIBLICAL
TEACHING



TRANSFORMATIONAL
FAITH



AUTHENTIC
RELATIONSHIPS



GENEROUS
LIVING



COMPASSIONATE
WITNESS

MISSION AND VALUES

Rooted in the values of **Biblical Teaching, Transformational Faith, Authentic Relationships, Generous Living, and Compassionate Witness**, we strive to equip every generation to live rooted in Jesus.

VISION

Enhance and expand our campus to extend our mission for the church, school, and community.

St. Paul Lutheran Church and School brings us together in Christ’s love. The journey for each of us is unique, but whatever that journey is, it has led us to St. Paul. We are experiencing an exciting phase of growth as the church and school warmly welcomes new members and families.

Increased enrollment at St. Paul Lutheran School is certainly a blessing for which we are deeply grateful. Since 2018, the Church Council has studied enrollment trends, evaluated existing facilities, and explored how a new classroom building could meet the growing demand for Christ-centered education while allowing space for other ministries.

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This statement grows from our mission of “Equipping Every Generation to Live Rooted in Jesus.” It calls us to be faithful stewards of our campus, enabling St. Paul to continue serving future generations.

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

EPHESIANS 3:20-21



1904



2023

“We have an opportunity to extend our ministry for future generations. We need to be mindful of the needs that will allow us to bring our mission to life for years to come.” — current church member



L to R: the 1955, 1908, and 1951 school buildings still in use today



a **conceptual** architectural rendering

THE PLAN

We will together address the needs of every generation of the St. Paul Lutheran community. To do this well, we must address the physical needs of the school to allow all ministries to flourish.

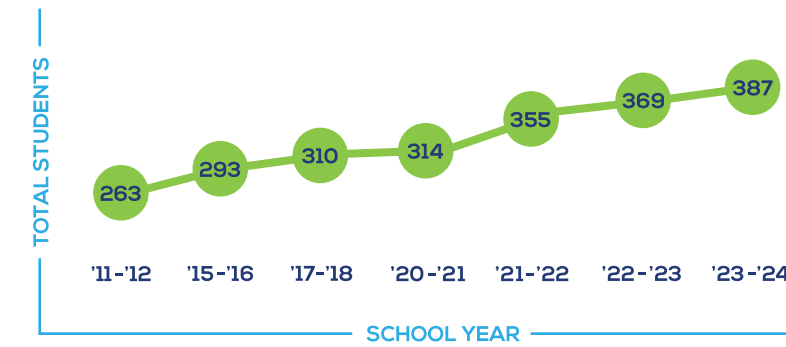
- ▶ Construct a new two-story, 20 classroom school building that will replace the South Wing of the school.
- ▶ The newly constructed classrooms will house the Early Childhood Program, and grades 1 - 4.
- ▶ Grades 5 - 8 remain in their current location.
- ▶ Relocate **CARE** (Center for Academic Resources and Enrichment) from the church office back into the school.
- ▶ The rooms in the Family Life Center will become available for Bible studies, small group meetings, and small social gatherings.
- ▶ The Youth Room and Library will no longer need to accommodate school classes.

Preliminary cost estimates put this project at \$9 million, including design, construction, furnishings, technology, and security.

THIS PLAN ADDRESSES TWO CRITICAL NEEDS:

1. Expanded learning environment to meet increasing demand.
2. Dedicated space for church ministries and fellowship.

ST. PAUL ENROLLMENT TRENDS



- ▶ There has been a 47% increase in student enrollment over the past 13 years. The increasing demand for Christian education has resulted in changes to the way we use our existing space. These adaptations have not always been optimal for student learning.
- ▶ St. Paul needs additional space to serve students and church members in mind, body, and spirit.
- ▶ Grafton's population growth of nearly 16% in the years 2000 to 2020 significantly outpaced the state's 9.6% increase. The population is expected to grow 1.4% each year.
- ▶ We want to be able to welcome and support all who are seeking Christ in our church and school community.



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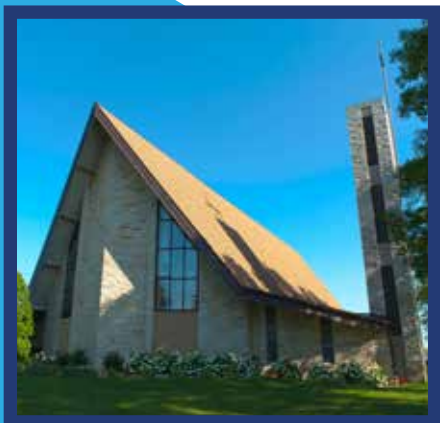


THE CALL TO GENEROUS LIVING

What we enjoy today was faithfully provided by previous generations. We, in turn, graciously add our gifts to theirs, providing for the future of the church and school.

The primary source of funding of the project costs will come from within the St. Paul Lutheran Church and School community. We would hope to raise the necessary funds in gifts and pledges, but may need to ask the Voters Assembly to approve a level of debt financing.

We are not called to give equally, but we are equally called to prayerfully consider what we can offer. This is so much more than a plan for a new school addition. It will build a stronger St. Paul community that dedicates itself to the transformative power of Christ-centered education and worship.



WAYS TO GIVE

Your gift to **EVERY GENERATION FAITHFUL TOGETHER** will be restricted solely to this ministry expansion project and can be structured in several ways. Gifts given to the campaign are beyond those contributions made to support Church and School operations and activities covered under the St. Paul Lutheran General Fund.

Your gifts are tax deductible. St. Paul Lutheran Church and School is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt charitable organization.

CASH

The most common method of making a gift is to contribute cash. Cash gifts may be made through cash, personal checks, credit/debit card transactions, or other electronic options available. An automatic withdrawal schedule can be established to facilitate your gift.

PLEDGES

You may also make a pledge to **EVERY GENERATION FAITHFUL TOGETHER** and spread payment of your gift over time, preferably three years or up to five years. As an example, by breaking down a three-year pledge into different payment schedules, you can see in the chart below how you can budget your gift to this campaign.

We anticipate the pledge period will begin in December 2023 or early 2024. At the commencement of the campaign, we ask you to energize the campaign by contributing an initial 10% of your total pledge.

SECURITIES

Another alternative is a gift of shares in appreciated marketable securities such as stocks, bonds, or mutual funds. Gifts of appreciated securities through your IRA, brokerage, or other accounts are easy and convenient ways to support the campaign. The gift is recorded at its current market value, and the benefit includes paying no capital gains tax for this charitable donation. You may be able to receive a tax deduction on donated shares held more than one year. If you would like more information about how to facilitate a transfer of marketable securities, please contact the St. Paul Finance Office.

PROPERTY OR OTHER ASSETS

Gifts of property or other goods can also be given to the campaign. A third-party appraisal of value may be necessary in some cases. Please contact the St. Paul Finance Office on how a non-monetary gift may be accomplished.

PLANNED GIFTS

Gifts left in a Will or Trust can greatly benefit the Church and School as we look to meet future needs. Annuities, IRA's, Charitable Lead or Remainder Trusts, and Life Insurance are among the variety of instruments used to make a future charitable gift. Please speak with your financial advisor on how a planned gift can help you meet your financial and charitable goals.

3-YEAR PLEDGE	INITIAL 10% CONTRIBUTION	BALANCE			
		MONTHLY	QUARTERLY	SEMI-ANNUALLY	ANNUALLY
\$750,000	\$75,000	\$18,750	\$56,250	\$112,500	\$225,000
\$500,000	\$50,000	\$12,500	\$37,500	\$75,000	\$150,000
\$250,000	\$25,000	\$6,250	\$18,750	\$37,500	\$75,000
\$100,000	\$10,000	\$2,500	\$7,500	\$15,000	\$30,000
\$75,000	\$7,500	\$1,875	\$5,625	\$11,250	\$22,500
\$50,000	\$5,000	\$1,250	\$3,750	\$7,500	\$15,000
\$25,000	\$2,500	\$625	\$1,875	\$3,750	\$7,500
\$15,000	\$1,500	\$375	\$1,125	\$2,250	\$4,500
\$10,000	\$1,000	\$250	\$750	\$1,500	\$3,000
\$5,000	\$500	\$125	\$375	\$750	\$1,500
\$3,000	\$300	\$75	\$225	\$450	\$900

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