2022 Capital Campaign FAQ

How is this different than the annual Stewardship campaigns?

The campaign is a 3-year time frame for members and friends to support these projects. The campaign funds are designated for the specific purpose of the campaign and is separated from the general fund. We are asking people to support the campaign as over and above ongoing support to the operating budget. We do not want people to take away giving from the operating budget and shift it to the campaign.

What if I need to adjust my Faith Promise based on my contributions to the Capital Campaign?

Any gifts to the capital campaign should be over and above regular contributions. We ask you to continue to give generously to general fund and consider additional gifts for the campaign.

What happens if you don't get enough funding to do both Torvend and purchase a house? Which has priority?

We feel both projects are important to future ministry and mission of Bethel. The more funds that can be raised in the campaign will mean the less money we will have to borrow.

When do you want the funds? Can I contribute monthly or annually for 3 years?

Funds can be given in the next three years. This can include a one-time gifts, monthly gifts, or at any interval. You can coordinate with Fara Brock in the office if you have questions. We do ask that you fill out a commitment card even if you intend to give a gift later, which will help in our planning.

How will the progress be communicated to the congregation?

We will have regular announcements in the enews, worship announcements, website, et al.

Will the parsonage be nearby? How is the real estate being evaluated?

Ideally, the parsonage is close to Bethel, but depending on cost it may be a small distance. The real estate team is focusing on a five-mile radius currently.

Will the parsonage be a 'fixer upper' and require work?

This is possible, depending on the market and what we can afford. We are hoping for a move-inready home in our price range in close proximity to Bethel.

Who will maintain the parsonage?

It will be the congregation's responsibility to maintain the parsonage. A parsonage team would be formed to regular maintenance or make arrangements with outside contractors. The pastor would also be responsible for some things and letting Bethel know when an issue occurs.

When will the work be started and done in Torvend?

Once funds are in place and all permits are approved, which we know can take a while.

Will this work in Torvend impact our school tenant?

The school uses two rooms in Torvend and the children nap from 12:00 until 2:30, we will try to keep things quiet during this time.

How can I make a gift to the campaign?

If you wish to write a check, simply write "capital campaign" in the memo line. The new envelopes will also have a place to indicate giving to the campaign. If you would like to give online, you can go the Bethel giving page. If you would like to make a stock donation, contact Fara Brock in the church office.