A history of giving others a lift

Our church has a storied history of lifting people. We have launched groups and services such as the Faith Clinic, which was housed on site for two years before moving to a more equipped facility. We have provided community care including affordable childcare, housing men with substance abuse issues, and an annual Harvest Dinner to underserved community members each November. We have been the physical home to many community-based nonprofits such as JDAI and the C.H.O.I.C.E program.

Today's need to lift others

To continue our history of lifting people up, our facilities must be updated. Moving between floors and participating in our services is difficult if not impossible for disabled individuals. Participating fully in our services is limited by our current audio/visual technologies (in-house and online). The larger community that uses this space (for example, our 12+ sobriety programs that meet here weekly also needs to have easy access to all floors.

Anyone can give, here's how.

Contact our capital campaign team through our church office or stop in Monday-Thursday, 10 am -2 pm. You can also chat with us on Sundays after 10 am worship.

If you're ready to make a commitment now, you can use our online form:

The Capital Campaign Team

- Campaign Chair, John French
- Commitments & Gifts, Jason Held, Jef Fish, and Rod Lewis
- Meetings & Hospitality, Claudia Camargo
- Publications & Publicity, Erin Johnson
- Gifts Recording & Follow-Up, Jeff Every
- Administrative Support, Babbett Ruby
- · Pastor, Rev. Nicole Shaw

Our Partner

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We have partnered with the United Church of Christ Building and Loan Fund and here's why that's a good thing for us and the missions we care about. All proceeds from our fee go to missional endeavors. Sixty percent is gifted to Church Building & Loan Fund. Forty percent is gifted to Ministry & Philanthropy allocated in the portions below:

- 10% is gifted to CB&LF Adese "Faith Based Entrepreneurs" Fellowship (more info online)
- 15% to any UCC/Denominational Ministry/Philanthropy of the church's choice (we chose OCWM through the Indiana-Kentucky Conference)
- 15% to any Philanthropy or Ministry of the church's choice (we chose Steuben Pride)

Lifting Up Community

The
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The uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. - Isaiah 40:4



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Praying for it

Our historic building is occupied by congregation and community members every single day of the week. Whether it's Four County Transitional Living, Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous, Alanon, Elijah Haven (a non-profit supporting those seeking freedom from domestic abuse), Steuben Pride, The Frances Elliott Clark Music Club--we don't let our spaces remain empty. We encourage the community to make use of our space, most often at no cost.

However, we know not everyone who wants to use our space can do so with dignity, ease, and comfort. As it often is with 1800s churches and 1960s additions, we have stairs that separate our spaces. We have had community members who have needed extra assistance at best and who have been unable to engage in our community services at worst. This includes clients seeking help from our non-profit partners, mourners attending our funerals, and those seeking support in their sobriety.

We are inspired by the prophet Isaiah, "The uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain." We want anyone and everyone to be able to use our building for healing, health, and wholeness. Join us in praying for the continued benefit this campus provides to both congregation and community. This is the work of the Kingdom of God, and we are grateful to be a part of it!

--Rev. Nicole Shaw, Pastor

Paying for it

We intend to raise \$800,000 (see info at right for details) through pledges that will be paid to the church up-front or over the course of 3 years. During that 3-year period, we will begin work on the first priority: accessibility upgrades. We'll use the church's existing funds to get work started and make progress payments. At the same time, pledged money will be collected. Essentially, as money leaves one "bucket" the "bucket" is refilled by incoming pledge payments. We are confident we can selffund ongoing work while pledge commitments are fulfilled over the 3-year collection period. If needed, we have researched a good bridge loan option with our partners in the United Church of Christ.

Total Goal: \$800,000

Or more! All extra money will be banked to maintain our capital improvements.

THE PLAN

Our first priority is accessibility in all spaces:

- Install a lift
- Widen the existing ramp to be ADAcompliant
- Add a push button to operate the door at the top of the ramp
- Add dedicated handicap parking spaces at the base of the ramp
- Estimated cost \$400,000

Our second priority is to invest in the longevity of our building:

- · Replacing the aging boiler system
- Estimated cost \$50,000

Our third priority is to bring accessibility and modernization improvements to more spaces:

- Remove barriers in the fellowship hall and enlarge door openings
- Enhance accessibility in the sanctuary
- Add audio/visual improvements for inhouse and online use, especially for hearing-impaired people
- Estimated cost \$350,000

