CAPITAL CAMPAIGN OVERVIEW
OUR VISION IS...

That we become a more visible, engaged and active presence in our Ankeny community as we live out God’s mission to proclaim the gospel by sharing God’s word and acting in love toward our neighbors.

Over the last decade we have been transitioning from a church still finding its footing to a mature faith community, strongly aware of who we are, committed to living faithfully into God’s call to welcome and care for one another and our neighbor, and seeking to create a physical space that supports that sense of mission. We have gotten good at strategizing to fit our mission into our current cramped space, shoehorning tables and chairs into different rooms, politely dancing around one another in the kitchen, and listening with greater care when the air conditioning kicks on in the sanctuary. But now we’re ready to have space to meet our ministry needs today and to help us grow into God’s mission for our future. We will reach out to extend our welcome in more concrete, practical and significant ways by caring for and feeding people in our building and by using our building as a springboard to care for, welcome and serve others out in the community.

BUILDING IN FAITH: ON SOLID GROUND

“God, the one and only—I’ll wait as long as he says...He’s solid rock under my feet, breathing room for my soul, an impregnable castle: I’m set for life.” Psalm 62:5-6

With our ever-growing Ankeny community, we feel God’s call to grow, and to expand and share our ministry with others. We believe that this new building expansion will help to facilitate our growth. In faith, we are ready to build on the solid ground of God’s mission, expanding our facility and moving forward together! In this phase of our project, we will build a new kitchen, expand our fellowship area and relocate the mechanicals to reduce noise in our sanctuary.

In January 2017, our Resurrection family saw the importance of the relationship between our building expansion and the sense that God is calling us to grow our ministry reach and our membership. This discovery was made clear through our CAT congregational survey. The top two priorities were:

1. To develop and implement a comprehensive strategy to reach new members and incorporate them into the life of the church.
2. To enlarge or improve the physical facilities of the church to expand or enhance our ministries.

Central to our Master Plan is to increase our space for larger and more engaged fellowship and service ministry opportunities. A dramatically larger kitchen is a key to all of this. We are excited about the ministry possibilities before us, and we are mindful that the greater each member’s generosity in giving, the more we can do, and the less we might need to borrow.

Please pray about making a generous financial gift and/or pledge to our Building in Faith three-year capital campaign. You will help us touch more people’s lives as we welcome more neighbors, enhance the impact of our ministry, and ensure that we respond to God’s call to grow and expand the gospel’s reach, caring for one another, welcoming and serving our community and this world that God so loves.

Gratefully, Pastor Lisa
Mission/Ministry Initiatives

BUILDING OUR FAITH

One of the most exciting things about this life is that the Holy Spirit is always in the business of building our faith. The Bible says that God’s Word, Jesus, is the cornerstone for this work, and that everything depends upon Him. Jesus said: “Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock.” Matthew 7:24

Here at Resurrection, our faith continues to be built and to grow. Through study and prayer, in worship and friendship, through acts of service and works of compassion, we know the importance of sharing this faith with others. This is why BUILDING OUR FAITH is central to this appeal, even as we build and grow our building. Watch for our growing commitment and opportunities to build your faith!

BUILDING OUR COMMUNITY

At Resurrection, when we talk about community, we’re talking about both our church community as well as the broader community of Ankeny and on out into the world. We are committed to nurturing our relationships and deepening our sense of unity and friendship with one another, in part because we know that there are so many more people who need a community of belonging, purpose and family. Building our community, or building our faith family, is one way we believe God is calling us to use our hearts and energies. In fact, we know that building our Resurrection community goes hand-in-hand with growing and serving our Ankeny community. Help us be about these acts of faith and kindness as God continues to bless us in order to be a blessing to others!

OUR BUILDING – MOVING FORWARD

Make no mistake, we are excited to expand this wonderful building we call home. Much work has already been done, and other expansion projects have been completed. But this next phase will unleash some great opportunities! The kitchen area will grow exponentially. And our fellowship space will allow us to be about more ministries and to grow our church family.

Resurrection continues to be a church on the move! While we’re not fancy, and we’re not a hurried people, we’re also determined. Determined to grow in Christ. Determined to love more deeply. Determined to reach out to our neighbors more tenaciously. Determined to use our building for service, faith and to the glory of God. And for this, each and every one of our Resurrection family has an important contribution to make!
ROOM FOR MINISTRY, ACTIVITIES & GATHERINGS

Our building expansion will meet important ministry and space needs here at Resurrection! We will dramatically increase our fellowship area, thus enabling us not only more room, but the capacity to be more effective in our various ministry activities and gatherings. We are already dreaming about how to engage more members and friends in the mission we share to share Christ’s love and compassion.

• The kitchen is exponentially larger than what we have lived with over the years since we arrived here on this land. Not only will we be able to find our way around more efficiently, but we can now grow the ministry and mission opportunities God presents to us.

• Moving some of our AC/mechanicals will give us a bit more space in our sanctuary, and it will also eliminate the sounds and noises to which we have become too accustomed.

The overall cost of this expansion is $1.25M. This is a grand challenge for us, and for this reason we invite EVERYONE to consider their best 3-year gift or pledge for this appeal. Please pray about making a sacrificial and generous gift/pledge. Together we can advance the mission God has entrusted to us!

Watch for a special Response Packet which will give you Creative Giving ideas to help you consider your best gift, prayer guidelines, and your Commitment Card.

Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

- 2 Corinthians 9:7