



NOW IS THE TIME

Honoring
Our Legacy,
Building Our Future

A Campaign for Zion Lutheran School

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Dear Zion Families,

After months of intensive preparation, we are close to the official kickoff of Zion Lutheran's *NOW IS THE TIME: Honoring Our Legacy, Building Our Future* capital campaign. Next weekend, we will be kicking off our campaign. In the weeks after the kickoff, every family in the church community will receive a packet of information, which includes a financial request and instructions on how to invest in the future of Zion Lutheran.

In advance of the mailing, I want to express several thoughts regarding this campaign and what is being asked of our families:

- **Invitation not Expectation**

Every family will be asked to consider a specific commitment to the campaign. We have gone through an exhaustive process to determine an appropriate request for each family. That said, in some cases our request may be too high. In some cases, it may be too low. It is not an *expectation*. It is an *invitation* – and the starting point for your personal discernment. Ultimately, the church will gratefully receive whatever gifts you may provide.

- **Reflect and Pray**

In advance of the request, I ask that you spend some time reflecting on Zion, its future, and how you can help. Pray and ask the Lord for guidance. Give in a way that represents the blessings that God has bestowed upon you.

- **Shared Responsibility**

One family or a few families should not shoulder the responsibility of this campaign. The obligation rests with the entire church community to ensure this effort is a success. That means generosity and sacrifice – and not just monetarily. We need gifts of time, talent and prayer too.

I hope you will join us next week for the official kickoff of our *NOW IS THE TIME: Honoring Our Legacy, Building Our Future* campaign. It's an exciting time for our faith community and we want you to be a part of something that will mean so much to the future of Zion Lutheran!

God Bless,

Rev. Gordon Bruce
Senior Pastor