

January 24, 2008

"For we are God's co-workers; you are God's field, God's building." 1 Cor. 3:9

Dear Friend,

*God has blessed us tremendously and for this we are grateful. 2008 **will be the year we move into our beautiful new church** and continue to publicly give thanks to God for many years to come.* A \$7.7 million dollar pricetag, however, means all of us need to sacrifice a little more as "co-workers" of this dream, as builders of this foundation. The construction of our church is not just about the building, it is about the gifts we share with one another, the community we will continue to build within the walls of the church, and the visible sign of Christ we will continue to be to those we meet. As good stewards of the gifts God has given to us, we want to assume a loan that can be paid back easily in the years to come.

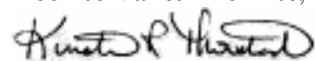
We are privileged to invite you to make your sacrificial pledge or one-time gift to our 2008 campaign – ***United in Building Our New House of Prayer***. The goal of the campaign this year is to raise \$550,000 in pledges. The more money we raise this year, the smaller loan we will assume. **For those who pledged last year, consider raising your pledge by 25%. For those pledging for the first time, consider a minimum pledge of \$1,200 dollars or \$100 per month.** *Monthly Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) is available through Parish Pay using debit and credit cards or checking and savings accounts. Parish Pay is an easy way to place first our weekly operating gifts and monthly building obligations to the church. This may even be a way for you to increase your Rewards Points on your credit card. (We ask you to consider this method only if you pay off your balances monthly. We do not want anyone to go into debt over their church contributions).* This year may be the most crucial year of fundraising to our project. Whatever your gift may be, it is necessary and gratefully received.

Included with this letter are a blue pledge card, a floorplan, a brochure outlining donor and memorial items, Parish Pay material, and a green donor card. Please complete the enclosed blue pledge card and return it along with your initial gift in the accompanying envelope. *Should you wish to sponsor a specific donor feature, also enclose the green donor card.* We ask you to make your pledge or one-time gift on our **Pledge Weekend which is February 2nd and 3rd.** The weekend of February 2nd and 3rd we will provide everyone an opportunity to bring forward their envelopes (or a pledge card stating they previously pledged) during a special collection at all of the masses. This will be the final weekend that we ask for your commitment to this year's capital campaign.

Please prayerfully consider your gift and be assured that whatever your gift may be, it will be gratefully received and acknowledged.

"For no one can lay a foundation other than the one that is there, namely, Jesus Christ". 1 Cor. 3:11

Your servants in Christ,



Kirsten R. Thorstad
Pastoral Coordinator



Rev. David Andel
Priest Minister

Enclosures: Pledge Card / Donor Card / Donor - Memorial Brochures / Return Envelope/ Floorplan / Parish Pay material