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Dear First Church Family:

What comes to mind when you think about First Church? People from all walks of life actively enjoying their church home? Listening to the inspiration of beautiful music in worship? Hearing a sermon that gives a better understanding of what it means to be like Jesus? Reaching out in love to our neighbors in this community?

Think of the ways in which we can enrich those experiences with rebuilding our primary program facility. And think about how many others would love to share in what we have to offer at FCCB.

Our faithful commitment to our church's mission has led us to launch a Capital Fund Campaign this spring. As Campaign Chair, I am pleased to announce our campaign theme: **"Build. Gather. Grow."**

The purpose of our campaign is to raise financial support for rebuilding our primary program facility which will house offices, a large assembly, children, youth & meeting space, and an outdoor worship and gathering space. But our campaign is about much more. It is an opportunity for each of us to live more fully into who we are as God's children and who we want to be as a faith community. It's an opportunity to invest further in the vision we share.

Our capital campaign will culminate in May when each household will be invited to make a three-year pledge above and beyond regular sustaining giving to support our capital rebuilding projects.

To support and guide us in this process, Marc Rieke of The Enrichment Group will provide ongoing consultation. You may recall that Marc helped conduct our Feasibility Study last fall. Working together with an incredible campaign team of FCCB lay leaders, our aim is to inspire, inform, involve, and invite each of us to commit to campaign service and support.

Our process will provide many opportunities for you to become involved through study, prayer, small-group meetings, fellowship events, and other activities. We need your help to be successful. Please plan to participate in the campaign activities and thoughtfully consider helping if you are contacted by a member of the campaign team.

In the next few months, you will be receiving information which will give you the full details of how we will support our rebuilding effort through our **"Build. Gather. Grow."** campaign. Watch for special publications and announcements.

This is an exciting time to be a part of the FCCB family. I look forward to working in partnership with you.

Many blessings,

Sara Woods
Campaign Chair