



# THANKFUL HEARTS

Your Christ Lutheran Church **Just Imagine** Ministry Campaign Newsletter

## **Just Imagine** Frequently Asked Questions



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As our Just Imagine Ministry Campaign continues we have been asked several questions and hope that the following FAQ will be helpful. If you have other questions, do not hesitate to get in touch with anyone from the Just Imagine Leadership Team.

### **How much money do we hope to raise in the Just Imagine Ministry Campaign?**

We hope to have commitments totaling \$950,000 over a three year period; however it would be wonderful to reach a \$1,200,000 amount. With that we could double our pay off of additional mortgage principal. Hallelujah!

### **How long is the commitment period for this campaign?**

The Just Imagine Ministry Campaign will cover a three year period from October 2015 till October 2018.

### **When I (we) make a financial commitment can all of it go to pay down the principal?**

Yes, you can designate your commitment entirely to the principal; you would need to make sure that you designate that on your commitment card.

### **What does it mean to “pay back the restricted accounts”?**

We have had to “borrow” funds from Restricted Accounts (those accounts with a defined purpose, i.e. Memorial Gardens Fund) to service our mort-

### **What are the greatest property needs that are included in this campaign?**

The south drive and parking lot outside of the education wing is in very bad shape and needs to be replaced. Roofs over the education wing, activity center, youth room and offices are in poor shape and will need to be replaced within the next few years. \$100,000 of Just Imagine commitments will be allocated for these needs.

### **When will I be asked to fill out a financial commitment card?**

You will receive your commitment card on Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup> at the All Church Event; you are asked to return the card the next day, Sunday, October 11<sup>th</sup> at the One Service at 9:30. However, commitment cards will be accepted at any time after that. Just place them in the offering plate on Sunday or return them to the Church Office. We hope to have received all commitment cards by October 25. Commitment cards are available anytime in the Church Office if you are unable to attend the All Church Event.

### **How are we paying for this campaign?**

We have been blessed to have received a \$15,000 grant from Center for Congregations; we have received generous donations from some of our vendors to offset the cost of the All Church Event; we have received anonymous donations to pay for such things as one of our mailings, and the beautiful Just Imagine banners.

### **If we meet our financial goal in this campaign who will decide which new ministries will be explored?**

Church Council will facilitate this process. Ideas can be submitted to our Pastors, Church Staff, or anyone on Church Council. Holy Conversations is part of this process with prayerful discernment around mission and vision from feedback gained.

### **Are we having our annual stewardship campaign this year?**

YES! Our annual stewardship campaign is being coordinated with the Just Imagine Ministry Campaign. You will receive one commitment card that asks you to prayerfully consider supporting both our annual needs

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### **Calendar of Events**

- **Sunday, September 27**  
Holy Conversations,  
Temple Talk
- **September 28 & 29**  
Event Phone Calls
- **Sunday, October 4**  
Temple Talk- Irene  
Adams & Stewardship  
member
- **Saturday, October 10**  
One Church, One Night  
Event; Distribute and  
return pledge cards
- **Sunday, October 11**  
One Church, One  
Service; Return pledge  
cards
- **Sunday, October 18**  
First Fruits Offering



## Christ Lutheran Church • My Commitment

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Prefer electronic giving.  Prefer offering envelopes.

**YES!** I commit to supporting Christ Lutheran Church's 3-year *Just Imagine Ministry Campaign!* With God's help for the next three years, I am giving above my usual financial support for Christ Lutheran Church in the following way:



\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Weekly  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Monthly  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ One-time Gift  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Annually or other: \_\_\_\_\_  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ In-kind Gift/Appreciated Assets • Gifts other than cash commitments. Please state total value of gift.  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ **Grand Total 3-Year Commitment**

I commit to supporting the general ministry of Christ Lutheran Church. I am designating my giving toward:



**Operating Budget**  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Weekly  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Monthly  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Annually  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ **Grand Total 1-Year Commitment**

**Social Ministry/ Monthly Emphasis**  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Weekly  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Monthly  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Annually

## Save the Dates

Saturday, October 10

6:00-8:00 PM

One Church, One Night

Sunday, October 11

9:30

One Church, One Service

### Just Imagine Ministry Campaign

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## Commitment Card Explanation

The above commitment card will be handed out at our *One Church, One Night* Event. Commitment cards are also available at anytime in the church office. Commitment Cards will be collected during our One Church, One Service at 9:30 on Sunday, October 11.

- The *Just Imagine* side of the card is for your commitment to the CLC three year *Just Imagine Ministry Campaign*. Please fill out the applicable slots and then provide your Grand Total of your Just Imagine 3-Year Commitment.
- The Sunflower side of the card is for your continued stewardship/general ministry giving to CLC for the coming year. This side has several different slots to fill out.

### One column pertains to the Operating Budget.

The Operating Budget is simply what we need to operate our church—electricity, snow removal, salaries, etc.

### One column pertains to Social Ministry/Monthly Emphasis.

The Social Ministry/Monthly Emphasis is giving towards a designated cause or ministry determined by the Social Ministry Team.

Please total both columns to provide your one year total commitment to CLC's