

Dear St. Luke Family,

St. Luke Lutheran Church and Early Childhood Center has a more than 60-year legacy of making lifelong differences in an innumerable number of lives in Dix Hills and the surrounding communities. God has showered us with blessings that we wish to continue sharing with others. Our vision is to do more to address the needs of the St. Luke family and our community, via our planned expansion program that will allow us to enhance St. Luke's legacy for years to come.

Based on the overwhelmingly positive feedback received from the congregation on the revised expansion plan (details of which are enclosed with this letter) and the encouraging responses to the recent request for potential funding considerations, we are pleased to announce the kick-off of a Capital Funding Campaign. The purpose of the campaign is to estimate fundraising totals through collecting formal pledges for one-time gifts, recurring donations, memorial gifts, and other sources. Please note that the current step is for pledging financial support only; fulfillment of pledges will be requested at a later time (likely mid-2026), once the construction has been approved by congregational vote. In addition, our sub-committees continue to explore additional funding opportunities (community giving, grants, etc.), to offset construction and operational costs for the expanded facility.

In that regard, please review the enclosed project summary and pledge card (additional information on the planned expansion is available by scanning the QR code on the back of the pledge card), and give prayerful consideration to making a financial commitment. Then, please complete and return the pledge card to the church office by October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025, which will allow pledges to be tabulated in time for a congregational vote on November 7<sup>th</sup> about whether to move forward with preparing final plans and obtaining construction bids. Please note that your pledge will be kept strictly confidential.

As we continue to move this planned expansion project forward, we continue to welcome your input and prayers. Will you join us to make our shared vision a reality?

As always, please contact any of us if you have questions or would like additional information.

Sincerely,

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