

## Raise the Roof FAQ

### **Why do we need to Raise the Roof?**

The materials covering the roofs currently leak and the wooden beams supporting the roofs are damaged and warped. The Sunday School classrooms cannot be used and Opsal leaks during rain and snow storms. A new flat roof will only work for 8 to 10 years. We are seeking a 35+ year fix. On June 18, 2017, the congregation voted to spend up to \$300,000 for this project with \$150,000 financed by a capital campaign lasting through December 2019.

### **What does a new roof give us?**

A new roof gives us new opportunities. Right now, the leaks limit what groups, events, and ministry opportunities we can engage in. A new roof means we can use our space differently. We can invite nonprofits to use our space in ways benefiting the local community. We can give a home to programs making a difference in the lives of children. We can help local community groups do more. A new roof brings new opportunities to make a difference.

### **How does my response to *Raise the Roof* affect my current giving?**

Contributions will be separate from, and in addition to, regular ongoing giving to support annual ministries and operating expenses.

### **How do I decide what to give?**

First of all, pray, pray, pray! Review the letter and material on our website. Walk around the buildings to see the damage. The church will give you any accurate and relevant information to assist you in your decision-making. We know everyone's circumstance is different and invite you to give a gift born out of faith. Can you give \$20 a month? A one time gift of \$500 or \$1000 or \$10,000? Call Pastor Marc (201-391-4224) if you want to discuss.

### **When will work start?**

After meeting with five different contractors and receiving three bids, we selected John Herlihy, our architect's preferred builder, to work on the project. Work starts in September. We expect the work to be completed by Christmas.

### **How can we start this work so soon?**

Christ Lutheran Church has money in our long-term investments, the Special Gifts fund, and other funds to pay for the initial work to **Raise the Roof**. Any money withdrawn from our long-term investments will be paid back through this capital campaign.

### **I'm ready to pledge. How can I do that?**

Fill out the enclosed pledge card and mail it back to church. Pat Daub, our financial secretary, will track your giving. Like all financial giving at CLC, your privacy is protected. Special envelopes are available in the pews and will be included in the giving envelopes mailed to your address every two months.