

# Waukee United Methodist Church 2024 Capital Campaign

We're building a spiritual home where everyone, from the youngest to the oldest, can come together to worship, learn, and serve. Our new campus is a place for youth and young families to grow in their faith, an anchor for our seasoned members to deepen their devotion, and a hub of inspiration for all to go out and serve the community.

## 2024 Three-year Campaign

Our goal is to raise \$1.25 million. The campaign kicks off in early 2024 with contributions made July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2027. Our current campaign raised \$1 million and ends June 30, 2024.

A Scale of Giving for gifts typically needed to raise \$1.25 million is provided on the back of this sheet.

This campaign is above and beyond our stewardship giving and will help us avoid using our operating/general budget for debt repayments.

Unless we far exceed our goal, there will likely be another three-year capital campaign in 2027.

### **Building Blocks**

Our church family has much to celebrate for our land and building journey! We have been great stewards of the building project and are now reaping the benefits of our giving of time, talents, and financial resources with the opening of our new ministry center in March 2023.

Where we are today financially:

- The outstanding loan balance on our building is \$2 million. We recently sold the parsonage with net proceeds of \$230,000 that were applied to the debt.
- The current interest rate is very low at 2.75% through December 1, 2026. We want to take advantage of the low interest rate and pay down as much as possible prior to December 1, 2026.
- Our building is available for rent with fees going toward operating costs.

#### **Building Excitement**

We have already seen momentum of our new accessible space:

- Increased worship attendance
- New members
- Investment in staff for our future growth.
- Ease of use for hosting congregational events, community outreach events including Trunk or Treat (500 people attended the 2023 Trunk or Treat!), mission events such as The Table (a monthly meal provided for people in need in the community), and significant life events – weddings, funerals.

# **Building for the Future and Our Connections with the Community**

Many ministry opportunities may unfold in the future – afterschool programs for middle schoolers, health/fitness programs for all ages, outdoor use of the land (like soccer fields, prayer gardens), men's or women's retreats, parent's night out, etc.

# Scale of Giving Gifts typically needed to raise \$1.25 million

Number of Gifts	Gift Amount	Total
1	\$200,000	\$200,000
2	100,000	200,000
4	50,000	200,000
4	25,000	100,000
8	20,000	160,000
8	15,000	120,000
7	10,000	70,000
20	5,000	100,000
Many	<5,000	100,000
Total		\$1,250,000