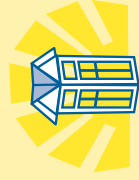


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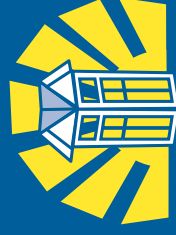


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*"For everything there is a season,
and a time for every matter under heaven..."*

Ecclesiastes 3:1

**Gracious Lord,
Through your
Holy Spirit grant us**

Worship that draws us
close to you,

Witness that feeds
those who hunger and
thirst,

Healing that offers
hope to the broken,

Discipleship that
makes us like Christ, and

Stewardship that
invests our selves and
resources in your
Kingdom.

In Christ's name
we pray.
Amen.

For four years or more we have been praying, fasting, giving, designing, visioning, and planning. Indeed there is a time for everything and the time for those things is certainly not done. But now, thanks be to God, it is a time to build! For three years we have been praying our mission prayer and God has answered. Right now there are bulldozers on the property, making room for those many new people who will come to know and serve Christ in this community. Take a minute to read through this brochure as we introduce this new campaign to you. As you will see, God is doing amazing things through us and the Time to Build has come!

In Christ,



Rev. Dr. Peter Moon

What is the purpose of "A Time to Build"?

"A Time to Build" is our opportunity to raise funds to pay for a substantial portion of the first phase of construction at our Hampton Park site. We hope to raise over \$5 million in pledges, which will allow us to secure financing for completion of the first phase. This will also enable us to maintain responsible and manageable debt service payments after construction is complete.

What is included in the first phase of construction?

The first phase of the five-phase master plan includes three buildings with a total of 27,000 square feet of space. The first building is a worship center that will seat 500 people with a gathering area (narthex) that is substantially larger than what we currently have. The second building is a two-story education building, with classrooms/meeting rooms for children, youth and adults. Many classrooms have been designed with dividers instead of walls, giving us maximum flexibility in usage. The third building will house our nurseries and preschool rooms. We will have substantially more space for our youngest children, and are excited that we will be able to operate a daily preschool at our new site.

Groundbreaking September 17th, 2006



What about the worship center? Is it big enough?

The new worship center is about the same size as the one on our Woodlake site. Our main goal during the first phase of construction is to have worship and education space on one site. We need to remember that Phase Two of the master plan is a much larger, permanent worship center. The Phase One worship center will be converted to a fellowship hall/multipurpose room in the future at the completion of Phase Two construction. We are looking at many creative options, including the possibility of more worship services, to alleviate crowding in the worship center.

Didn't we just have a capital campaign called "Building Room For Faith"?

"A Time to Build" capital campaign will build on the success of the previous capital campaign known as "Making Room For Faith", which was entirely dedicated to a designated building fund. That campaign began in 2003 and ends on December 1, 2006. Those funds enabled us to pay down our debt on the land at Hampton Park, pay for architects and civil engineering fees in preparation for the building, and has given us a fund from which to draw during the initial months of construction.

Do we still need an operating budget?

Yes. "In His Steps" was introduced to our congregation several years ago as an annual event to commit ourselves to our church with our prayers, presence, gifts, and service. It was also a time for us to make a financial commitment to be used for the church's operating costs and mission projects. To fulfill the church's vision, it is critical for all members of Woodlake UMC to sustain their individual commitments to "In His Steps" and prayerfully consider increasing their pledges to ensure that the inevitable increase in operating costs will be covered.

How will we pay off Phase One of construction?

With your contributions from "A Time to Build" and with the continued growth that we will experience when we move into our new facility, we will be able to pay off Phase One of construction. As new children, youth, and adults are welcomed into the WUMC family, they will support the ministry that has drawn them closer to Christ, with their prayers, presence, service, and financial gifts. The timing of future phases of construction depends, in large part, upon how quickly we are able to pay down our debt on Phase One. Together, we can meet this challenge, and together with God as our helper, we will be able to fund future phases of construction.

What can I do to help?

Several things! First, pray about your involvement in the campaign. There will be many opportunities to volunteer your time and talents. Also, pray about your personal financial commitment. For a vision to become a reality it takes prayer, openness to God's call, and great faith. Second, ask questions. If you have a question there are probably others who do as well. We want everyone to have the information they need to fully participate in this endeavor. Third, attend the campaign events. They will be informative, times of worship, fellowship, and celebration.

Fall Worship Plan

The central feature of the fall worship plan will be the work around our capital campaign which will culminate on the weekend of October 28-29. Each week of this fall, we will work off of the theme "A Time to Build". The images around the fall worship plan will be centered around the fact that God has opened a window of time for us around our move to the Hampton Park property. We have incredible spiritual opportunities (personal, community and kingdom) in front of us through our decisions this fall. Our worship times will help us to think about the time we are in and God's call to us individually and as a church within it all!

Special Fall Dates

- September 15 – Friday – 5:30 P.M.**
20 Year Anniversary celebration at the East/West Legacy Pavilion (Woodlake Pavilion)
Rev. Dr. Dennis Berry preaching (founding Pastor)
- September 16 – Saturday – 12:00 P.M.**
Charter member luncheon at WUMC
- September 16 – Saturday – 5:30 P.M.**
20 Year Anniversary
Candlelight Dessert Reception at WUMC
Rev. Dr. Steve Tuell preaching
- September 17 – Sunday – 8:15,**
9:30 & 11:00 A.M.
20 Year Anniversary
Traditional Worship Services at WUMC
Rev. Dr. Peter Moon preaching
- September 17 – Sunday – 2:00 P.M.**
New church site at Hampton Park
Ground Breaking Ceremony
- September 28 – Thursday – 7:00 P.M.**
Pastor and Leadership Reception
Celebrations at the Reservoir
- October 1 – Sunday – 4:00 P.M.**
Pastor and Leadership Reception
Celebrations at the Reservoir
- October 21 – Saturday – 6:30 p.m.**
"A Time to Build" Special Concert and Dessert Reception with Michael Berkeley and Friends
Cosby High School (reservations for childcare available)
- October 28 & 29 – Saturday & Sunday**
All Services
Commitment Weekend