Why a Capital Campaign Now?

A capital campaign at the end of the 1990s, enabled us to build in North Mankato, and another in 2005 enabled us to add the sanctuary. Now it is 2016. Those pledges have long since expired, members have grown up and others have joined, a sizable mortgage remains, and new projects are needed, partly because our facility is no longer new. It is time again to prayerfully consider what special gifts we can make in the next 3 to 5 years to maintain and improve our facility for welcoming all to worship and God's word.

Our goal is to raise $200,000 over a 3 year period, a tithe of which would go to the capital campaign of our District's Camp Omega.

April 5, 1957	13 families from Our Savior's Lutheran Church met to form a new LCMS mission congregation.
February 1, 1958	The property at 937 Charles Avenue was purchased.
August 28, 1958	Groundbreaking ceremonies were held for the construction of the church building
August 16, 1959	The first service was held in the new church building.
Feb. 27, 1997	10.7 acres in North Mankato, Minnesota was purchased as the site of a new church home.
1998	The church building at 937 Charles Avenue was sold to Victory Life Church.
1999	Groundbreaking services were conducted and construction begun for Phase I fellowship hall & education wing)
2000	Dedication of Phase I was held. Services were held in the fellowship hall.
Sept. 2001	Little Lambs Preschool was begun.
July, 2003	Pastor Vance Becker was installed as the 6th pastor
Sept. 2005	Good Shepherd Lutheran School opened
April, 2006	Groundbreaking ceremonies were held for construction of the sanctuary (Phase II).
Sept. 2006	Good Shepherd Lutheran School grew to add classes in grades 1st through 6th
Oct. 1, 2006	Dedication of the sanctuary (Phase II)
2007	Yearlong activities celebrating the Jubilee
2016	Welcome, Worship and the Word

Debt Principal Reduction

The construction of our building in North Mankato in 1999 and our sanctuary in 2006 was financed through the Lutheran Church Extension Fund. We can save money on interest by paying down the principle on our 30 year mortgage which is now a little over $900,000. **Reducing our principal by $100,000 would lower our total cost.**

The amount pledged in this campaign is not meant to be the total amount contributed to building debt but the amount by which one intends to *increase* the contribution designated on offering envelopes for "building."