





#### To the congregation of Christ Church,

Christ Church is a family of faith. For decades, we have been devoted to a sovereign and gracious God.

Today, that mission is the same, but God has multiplied our numbers. And now is the time that we step out in faith to continue God's work.

After much prayer and consideration, the elders have approved a plan to extend the building and invest in further church planting. The congregation has voted to move forward. We're energized by how this plan will further the ministry to our congregation and the community.

But this won't be a reality without your generosity. We are family, and we all have an important role to play. As you consider a gift to the Extending Community, Enabling Mission campaign, we pray that your mind and heart will be moved by God's incredible generosity toward us.

In Christ.

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We are so thankful for Christ Church.
It has the depth of the preaching, and
the intentionality of the leaders, the
passion and variety in worship. I felt
like I belonged very quickly.

Mandi Rodenbeck member since 2018

Where will we welcome the unchurched in Grand Rapids? Where will you have caring, supportive conversations?

Where will your family experience gospel-centered teaching and discipleship?

# IN OUR EXPANDED SPACES AND NEW CHURCHES.

Here, at Christ Church, God has blessed us.

### **OUR COMMUNITY**

is a beautiful, imperfect picture of God's design for His church. As people made in the image of God, we seek to know and be known by one another. It's time for our building to better reflect this reality for our increased body. Our expanded building will give us the space to welcome new families on Sunday morning, offer programming to the community, provide Christian education to our children, and nurture friendships within our congregation.

## **OUR MISSION**

is the same — and we are running out of space to live into it well. On a typical Sunday morning, our average attendance has grown from 300 to 500, but our building has stayed the same. When we can no longer use the mobile units which cost \$11,000 each year to rent, we won't be able to have as many classes on Sunday morning. The foyer is crowded and loud, and not the picture of warm welcome we'd like to convey. We also have limits to the hospitality and ministry we would hope to extend to our neighbors.

> I love Christ Church because it is a family where one can struggle and find comfort.

> > Jerry Stutzman member since 1999

We have many opportunities to make gospel-centered connections and grow in faith.

## **OUR CHURCH IN ACTION**

Beautiful 175 WOMEN from Christ Church & our presbytery attend

our presbytery attended brunch last October.



UP TO 55 ATTENDED

monthly college-age lunches last year 60 attend worship on an average sunday

300+ came to Advent Adventure last December



154 KIDS age 2 years - grade 12 are registered for Sunday School classes this fall.

**CLASSES** meet on Sunday Mornings up from 7 classes 4 years ago



**30** YOUTH. 9 ADULTS

went on a mission trip to Chicago this past July



50 KIDS came to Arts & Rec Camp 75 VOLUNTEERED

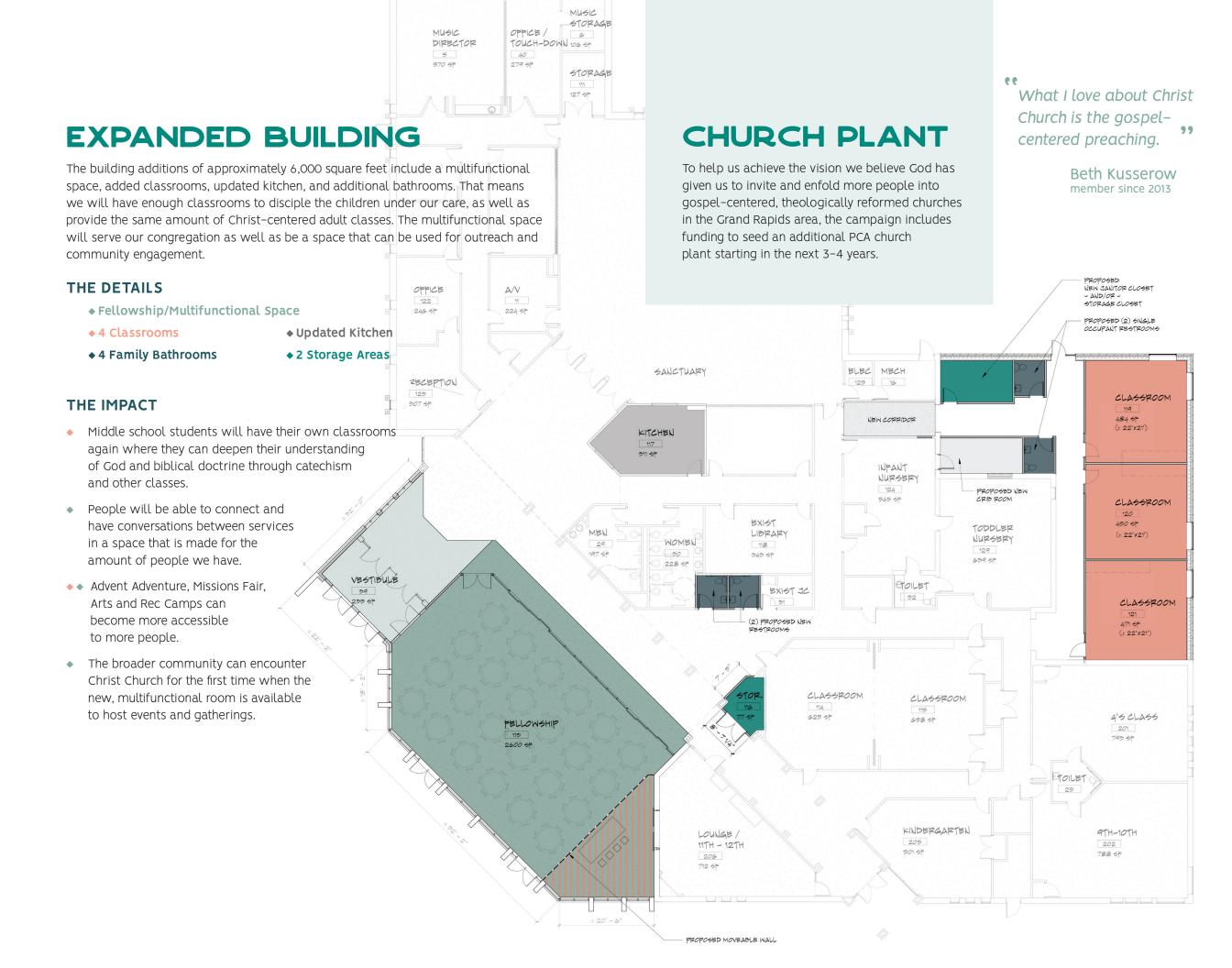
80 MEN & BOYS

enjoyed a pancake breakfast in Sept.

101+ participate in weekly Bible studies



meet regularly



### YOUR OPPORTUNITY

Your gift to this campaign will help Christ Church extend community and enable God's mission by providing these expanded building spaces and helping to fund a new church plant.

#### **CAMPAIGN BUDGET**

Classroom Addition \$373,000

Multifunctional Addition \$1,017,000

Current Kitchen Update \$30,000

Furniture \$20,000

Seeding Additional Church Plant \$150,000

Fundraising Expenses \$10,000

TOTAL GOAL \$1,600,000

#### **HOW YOU CAN HELP**

