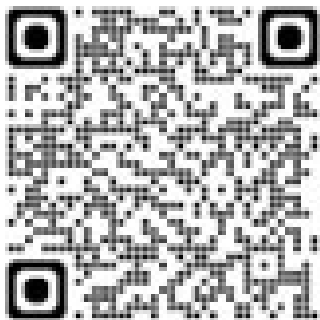


Building Bright Futures, Anchored in Christ

Ministry Expansion Campaign



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Through God's grace, "Building Bright Futures, Anchored in Christ" is our opportunity to recognize God's gifts and blessings in our lives. The intention of this Ministry Expansion Campaign is to raise awareness of both our needs and mission to continue proclaiming God's saving Love through Jesus Christ.

As we embark on this mission, we will sure up both our physical facility and spiritual well-being, which will allow us to expand our ministry here at Shepherd of the Coast Lutheran Church and School.

This booklet will provide assistance in helping you understand our needs, grow as a steward of God's blessings, and respond out of your love for Christ in multiple ways, through:

- Being personally engaged through Bible Study and Worship
- Supporting this campaign through prayer
- Providing additional gifts, above and beyond your regular offering, on a weekly, monthly, or annual basis to support "Building Bright Futures, Anchored in Christ."

Please read through this information carefully. Begin praying fervently for God to bless this campaign and your involvement in it. Finally, be ready to experience God's transforming power at work as He equips and guides us through this campaign.

The Shepherd of the Coast Story



Shepherd of the Coast Lutheran Church was born in July 2004 as a result of the union of Grace and Peace Lutheran Churches. In August of 2008, Hope Lutheran Church of Pompano Beach merged into Shepherd of the Coast creating the largest Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod congregation in northeast Broward County.

Though we are only 20 years old now, Shepherd of the Coast has more than a century of history. Our sanctuary cross blends crosses from each of our three antecedent congregations.

We have inherited legacies of all three of these churches, and we believe that those legacies continue in the ministry of Shepherd of the Coast.

Our Mission and Vision

The Shepherd of the Coast Lutheran Church, School, and Early Childhood Center are united in our mission to share Christ's love and make disciples by equipping children, families, and all who worship here for a life of service. Rooted in the Gospel, we proclaim the good news of God's grace through Jesus Christ, offering spiritual, emotional, and educational growth in a safe and nurturing environment. We are committed to not only guiding young children but also equipping adults with the tools to live out their faith and serve others. As we continue to grow, we seek your support in expanding our ability to nurture the whole child, strengthen families, support individuals, and build a lasting foundation for faith and learning in our community.

MISSION: In response to the boundless grace of God, we joyfully share the peace and hope of Christ with all.

VISION: Shepherd of the Coast Lutheran Church is a place where all are welcome. Our ministry helps others see Jesus through Christ-centered worship, education, ministry and outreach.

From Pastor Chad Czischke

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

“Building Bright Futures, Anchored in Christ” is the theme for our Ministry Expansion Campaign. Our desired purpose: “Sure up our structure.” This will allow us to faithfully proclaim and teach the love of Christ into the future.

Yet, as we think about our structure, what does that mean? I believe we can define it in two ways. The first, is obvious. It is our physical structure at 1901 E. Commercial Blvd. This structure is in need of updates and improvements, which are easy to see and understand. The second, might be a little more difficult, because the second structure is us! Believe it or not, our structure is in constant need of updates, improvements, and changes. Yet, how do we accomplish this?

The first structure, as stated, is easier to fix. By easier, I mean with the appropriate funding, we can hire someone to do what is necessary. Yet, when it comes to us, it requires more intentionality. “Building bright futures, anchored in Christ”, is that intended intentionality. Throughout this campaign we are seeking to grow closer to Christ and truly experience His grace, hope, and peace. This takes more than hiring a company, this requires determination and focus, and a recognized desire to be good stewards of our relationship with God. We deepen our relationship with Him through Bible Study, devotions, attending worship, prayer, cheerful giving, and placing Him as the center focus of our life.

Neither of these things will happen overnight, which is why this campaign extends over the next three years. During this time, my prayer is that we are able to both sure up our physical building and establish a solid foundation upon which to stand. In Matthew chapter 7, Jesus compares a house built on sand to one built on a rock. Throughout this campaign we seek to anchor ourselves to that Rock, because as Jesus states, “and the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock.”

The overall intent is to anchor ourselves to our Rock, Jesus Christ. As we grow in our relationship, and especially as we grow together as a community of believers, we will find ourselves growing stronger in Christ. Through this growth, Christ will become our Light and our Anchor. No matter what the storm, we can rest assured that He will either lead us or secure us. What a joy it is to say that through faith and trust we are “Building Bright Futures, Anchored in Christ.”

God Bless,

Pastor Czischke



From Mr. David Harvin Sr. School Principal

Dear Shepherd of the Coast Community,

Greetings in Christ!

At Shepherd of the Coast Lutheran School, we are dedicated to providing an educational environment that not only challenges the mind but nurtures the soul. Our commitment to excellence in education is deeply rooted in our mission to equip students with the knowledge, values, and faith that will guide them throughout their lives. It is with this mission in mind that we invite you to partner with us in our Ministry Expansion Campaign—a vision that will strengthen our school and impact generations to come.

A Christian education is more than just academic instruction; it is the foundation for a Christ-centered life. In our classrooms, students not only learn math, science, history, and language arts, but they also develop a strong moral compass, a heart for service, and an unwavering faith in God's promises. They are taught to see the world through the lens of scripture, to lead with integrity, and to serve others with humility and love. The impact of this education does not stop at the doors of our school—it extends to their families, churches, and communities. Our students become future leaders, compassionate neighbors, and faithful disciples who carry the light of Christ wherever they go.

However, in order to continue providing the highest quality education in a safe and nurturing environment, we must ensure that our facilities reflect the excellence we strive for. A modernized, secure, and sustainable school building is not just a necessity—it is a promise to our children that their future matters. It is a commitment to fostering a safe and dynamic learning space where students can thrive academically and spiritually. It is an investment in a legacy of faith, knowledge, and service that will shape not just this generation, but many to come.

We cannot do this alone. Your support—whether through prayer, financial gifts, or advocacy—will make a lasting difference. Every contribution to the Ministry Expansion Campaign is a step toward securing a foundation that will impact lives for years to come. Together, we can build a school that not only meets the needs of today's students but prepares them to be bold witnesses for Christ in the world.

Thank you for your generosity, your faith, and your unwavering commitment to Shepherd of the Coast. May God bless you richly as we work together to build a future filled with hope, faith, and excellence.

In His Service,

Mr. Harvin
Principal
Shepherd of the Coast Lutheran School



From Mrs. Faith Grambow ECC Director

Dear Shepherd of the Coast Community,

Our upcoming Ministry Expansion Campaign is an exciting opportunity to make a lasting impact on our school community. By raising funds for the Learning Center and various campus improvements, including a new playground and essential building repairs, we can enhance the educational experience for all our students.

The Learning Center will provide a dedicated space where students can thrive, with updated resources that support their academic growth and development. A new playground will offer our children a safe, fun, and stimulating environment to play and learn. Meanwhile, building repairs will ensure our facilities remain safe, welcoming, and conducive to a positive learning environment for years to come.

Every contribution to this campaign brings us closer to our vision of creating a vibrant, sustainable space where both students and teachers can excel. Your support will help us create a better, brighter future for our school community, and we're excited to embark on this journey with you. Together, we can make a difference that will be felt for generations.

Blessings,

Mrs. Faith Grambow
ECC Director



A word from the Campaign Director

Dear Members of Shepherd of the Coast Lutheran Church and School,

Trust is at the heart of stewardship. When I first read that sentence in a book by Dr. Gerhard C. Michael, Jr., a Lutheran Pastor who served four terms as President of the Florida-Georgia District of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, it made me stop and think about the times in my life when I was trusted with a new responsibility. Each time I was presented with a new responsibility I knew that I needed to step up and work a little harder, be a little kinder, and try a little more to live up to my potential. And when I failed, as I often did, I knew that I needed to try again, because someone, somewhere, had trusted me with this new role. This sense of greater responsibility happens each time we welcome a new person into our family, a new pet into our lives, a new team member on our work team, or when a family member is sick, or a neighbor needs a ride, or even just when someone asks us for a little help while we're rushing around the grocery store. That person is trusting us, and we do our best to respond responsibly.

God tells us clearly that He trusts us. In Genesis 1:26 He specifically says He gave us "dominion over every living thing" on earth. Wow - that is a lot of trust he placed in us! So, how do we respond? We are here to manage His great gifts, and to do so responsibly. When we are good stewards, we show that we understand the extent of the gifts He has given us, and we trust Him to provide for all our needs. Opening our hearts and minds to giving, like the widow who gave her precious pennies to the Church, shows us that stewardship is about the intention of the gift, and not about the size of the gift. We are at our best when we give to God first, and with joy, in whatever amount we are inspired to give.

Martin Luther, our Lutheran faith's namesake, showed how much he trusted in God's provision for all our earthly needs. He not only accomplished great things for Christianity by starting the Protestant movement, he also actively participated in the raising of his 6 children with his wife Katherine, and provided a home for 8 orphaned children of his relatives. The Luthers also housed students, travelers, and others who needed a home - and they had a pet dog! It is hard to imagine how Luther accomplished all of his work with this much happening at home. But he did. And we can, and we do, each day, with God's help. "From everyone who has been given much, much will be required." Luke 12:48.

We have many needs at our beloved Shepherd of the Coast - our building is showing its age, and we want to continue to keep growing our School and ECC so that we are Building Bright Futures here. We need your help to do so, and we trust you to respond as you are able during this campaign and beyond. Please contact me any time if you have questions. Thank you for being part of our wonderful SOTC family!

Blessings,

Barbara Junge

Supporting our Mission and Vision

The intent of the campaign is to further anchor our facility within the community and provide better equipment to help our students continue to grow academically and spiritually. Here are some of the areas that we would love to address during the campaign.

Building Ministry

- Playground Improvements
- Roof and Siding replacements
- Building Exterior Sealing and Painting
- Replacement of Air Conditioning Units (20 units are already beyond life expectancy)
- Upgrade Security System

Technology Ministry

- Audio/Visual Updates in the sanctuary
- Upgrade Computer Networks

Some of the Areas Needing Improvement:



Campaign Timeline

February 9, 2025 - Campaign Launch Sunday

February 9 to April 12, 2025 - small group meetings with SOTC family and community, to share information and ideas for ministry expansion and our building improvement projects, and hear from our SOTC family about God's love at work in their lives.

April 13, 2025 - Commitment Celebration on Palm Sunday (when we bring forth our personal commitments to the campaign)

May 4, 2025 - First Gifts Sunday (when we celebrate the first gifts received from our SOTC family's "first fruits")

May 2025 - December 2027 - events will be held throughout this period to keep connected to our growth in Christ and to support this ministry expansion campaign, with updates to the SOTC community on our progress.

December 31, 2027 - Campaign concludes successfully, and we celebrate the many blessings received and expanded ministry opportunities at SOTC.

Building Bright Futures, Anchored in Christ through Biblical Stewardship

As we embark on this Ministry Expansion Campaign, one desire is to grow together in Christ as a family and community. To promote growth in Christ, please utilize the following website, and sign up to read the Bible in a year:

<https://www.lhm.org/bibleyear>

Another idea is to sign up for a daily devotion. Here is one option to use:

<https://www.lhm.org/dailydevotions>

Prayer for the Campaign

Please consider praying the following prayer throughout the campaign:

Lord God, we reach out to you and ask for your direction at this time. Help all involved with the Ministry Expansion Campaign at Shepherd of the Coast Lutheran Church and School to keep the focus, always, on the ministry work we are about and not just on the physical needs. We talk about air conditioners, roof leaks and playground improvements. Guide us and help us to remember that these are merely the tools needed to serve people. May we never lose sight of who the campaign is designed to serve. In the name of Jesus our Savior we pray, Amen.

Giving to Accomplish our Goal

Have you ever considered God's plan for giving?

The Bible uses terminology such as "first fruits" or "tithing." These two approaches to giving reference returning to God what is God's. It's a display of sacrifice and love, recognizing who owns all things.

Understanding that everyone cannot give equally, we instead encourage equal sacrifice. Referencing the chart below, some could commit \$30,000, while others could commit \$5,000, over the 3 years.

By human standards the gifts are different, but according to God it is the "first fruits" mentality that makes it a true gift. We pray that God will guide you into a "first fruits" understanding as we join together in this campaign.

This chart is just one example of how we can reach our goal!

Commitments	Giving	Weekly	Monthly	Annually	Total
1	\$50,000	\$320.51	\$1,388.89	\$16,666.67	\$50,000
2	\$40,000	\$256.41	\$1,111.12	\$13,333.34	\$80,000
2	\$30,000	\$192.31	\$833.34	\$10,000	\$60,000
2	\$20,000	\$128.21	\$555.56	\$6,666.67	\$40,000
4	\$15,000	\$96.15	\$416.67	\$5,000	\$60,000
6	\$10,000	\$64.10	\$277.78	\$3,333.34	\$60,000
10	\$8,000	\$51.28	\$222.22	\$2,666.67	\$80,000
10	\$5,000	\$32.05	\$138.89	\$1,666.67	\$50,000
10	\$4,000	\$25.64	\$111.12	\$1,333.34	\$40,000
10	\$3,000	\$19.23	\$83.34	\$1,000	\$30,000
15	\$2,000	\$12.83	\$55.56	\$666.67	\$30,000
20	\$1,000	\$6.41	\$27.78	\$333.34	\$20,000
Many Gifts	< \$1,000				
				Total	\$600,000

May your gifts to this ministry expansion campaign be the "first fruits" of your budget each week, month, or year, before you make use of the rest of your resources.

What a way to demonstrate your trust that God will meet your needs, and display true sacrificial love to the future generations who will hear the message of Christ proclaimed and taught here at Shepherd of the Coast Lutheran Church and School.

"That you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God." Ephesians 3:17-19



We are excited to share more details about our Ministry Expansion Campaign and how you can be a part of it.

To read the full list of **Frequently Asked Questions** and learn more about the campaign please use the website or QR code provided below. If after reviewing the website, you still have additional questions, then please reach out to either Barbara Junge or Pastor Chad Czischke.

Your support is vital as we work to enhance our ministry, improve our facilities, and continue to spread the hope of Jesus in our community.

Thank you for partnering with us as together we are
“Building Bright Futures, Anchored in Christ.”

<https://www.shepherdofthecoast.org/capital-campaign>

