

Please support our capital needs campaign



WHAT are we asking for with the Capital Needs Campaign?

Our church, First Congregational UCC of Oconomowoc, needs to raise at least \$500,000 to address many basic building and grounds needs including; replacing the driveway & both parking lots including new striping and improved lighting, technology, lighting and sound upgrades for the sanctuary, and other current and future building repairs. These are all necessary projects *that will not be covered* from the insurance settlement funds.

WHY are you asking for funding right now?

After more than 40 years, our church and grounds require urgent repairs and upgrades. Exposure to Wisconsin weather has worn down our buildings, while outdated technology limits our capabilities in the sanctuary and on-line. It's time for much-needed maintenance and improvements. This is why our church now needs some “tender loving care” or TLC.

WHEN is our family being asked to donate additional funds to the Capital Needs Campaign?

The Capital Needs Campaign will officially begin on Sunday, March 1st with the distribution of informational materials and your family's personal Capital Needs Campaign Pledge Cards. Members are requested to return their completed pledge cards by Sunday, March 22nd, designated as Capital Needs Commitment Sunday. Alternatively, pledge cards may be submitted at any time prior to March 22.

HOW can my family support the Capital Needs Campaign?

We invite each family to pledge a one-time or recurring gift for up to three years (2026–2029) to support the Capital Needs Campaign. This is separate from your regular annual giving that funds church operations and mission work.

For example, a family might pledge \$3,000 to the Capital Needs Campaign in several ways: as a one-time payment; in three annual installments of \$1,000; monthly over three years at \$84; or weekly over three years at \$21. We offer flexible giving options both in-person and online through our website in hopes that every church member can participate in this campaign.



Frequently Asked Questions

May I/we give stocks, real estate, insurance, or other gifts in kind?

Certainly. Donors are welcome to consider contributing assets beyond cash, such as stocks, real estate, insurance, or other gifts in kind. For many, these types of gifts may be the most advantageous method of giving. We recommend consulting your financial advisor to determine which type of charitable donation is most appropriate for you and the church.

How much should I/we give?

Your giving is a very personal decision. Our hope is that the total contributions to the Capital Needs Campaign in 2026 will be enough to address our immediate needs without the church having to take out a loan and pay interest costs. We respectfully ask you to consider the following:

- Seek guidance through prayer.
- Stay updated via church communications.
- Let gratitude shape your generosity.
- Every gift will make an impact.

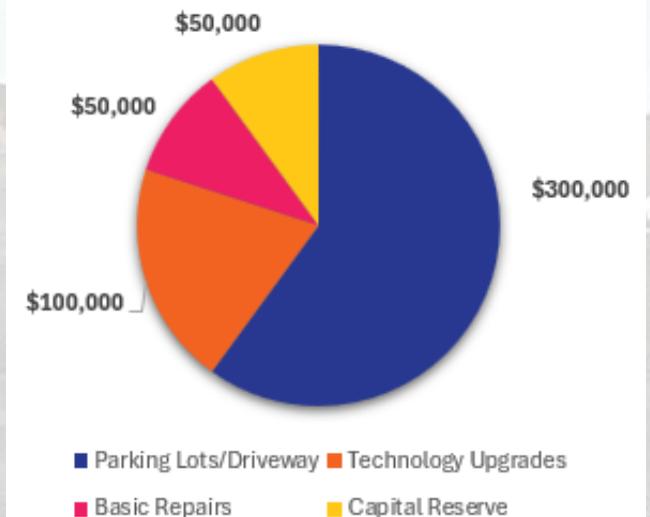
What if my/our financial situation changes or I/we move out of the area before the end of the three-year giving period for the Capital Needs Campaign?

You can change or cancel your commitment at any time during the three-year campaign by notifying the church office. If you move away, we appreciate you completing your pledge, but understand if you cannot.

PLANNED PROJECTS

- Replace, seal and stripe the driveway and parking lots (includes improved lighting)
- Upgrade sanctuary technology: new cameras, screens, sound and lighting systems, and enhanced streaming
- Complete smaller repairs: replace balcony doors, update Wi-Fi, switch fluorescent bulbs to LED
- Establish a Capital Reserve Fund for timely future maintenance, repairs and upgrades

ESTIMATED COST BREAKDOWN



Please contact Chris Mol with any questions at office@conomowocucc.org or 262-567-4461.