



At Woodlawn, we desire to connect people to Christ and each other, to grow them up in their faith, and to provide opportunities for them to serve God together. As God continues to use us to bring people into relationship with Him, we need to create a space that will enable us to better fulfill this purpose. The creation of a new covered walkway and atrium will enable us to better welcome and serve visitors and the community, create an even stronger fellowship within our church, and provide us a place to connect people to services, ministry, and missions.

These are exciting times at Woodlawn, as we launch a Capital Stewardship Campaign entitled Connecting for the Future to help us join with God in the things He has planned to do in and through our church.

The following pages include many frequently asked questions with their corresponding answers. This information should help us to better understand the facts and to prepare for the coming weeks as God readies us to fulfill His purpose.

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CONNECTING for the Future

Frequently Asked Questions





What are we building?

On paper, we are building an enclosed atrium and covered walkway to create an obvious church entrance and to connect the various buildings which make up Woodlawn. In reality, we are creating what will become the heart of the church, a central location from which everything (information, ministry, fellowship) and everyone feeds.

Why are we building it?

While our new worship center gives us an obvious and visible presence, there is no central location for people to enter the church campus, find information, easily move between the various ministry areas, or interact with people outside of their life group or regularly attended service. The current breezeway between the buildings is also uneven, dark, and unwelcoming. The new atrium will address all those issues, creating an updated, welcoming entrance for our church and a place to connect people with the church, missions, life groups, and each other.

Why build now when we still have debt?

Building now saves us in construction costs, which continue to rise, and allows us to capitalize on the momentum and enthusiasm Woodlawn has for continuing to improve our campus and ministry. We are currently able to meet all of our financial obligations because of the faithfulness of God's people.

How much will the new facility cost?

The Finance Committee has set a budget of \$1.5 million for the project and will bring the estimated cost of construction to the church for approval when the plans are finalized.

How will we pay for it?

The church will take out a construction loan which will be paid off through donations made through the Connecting for the Future campaign.

Will I be pressured to make a pledge?

No. Participation in the campaign and how much you give is entirely up to you. All members and guests will be given the opportunity to contribute as they feel led to do so.

How should I prepare to participate?

Allow God to speak to your heart through prayer. Discuss as a family what God is leading you to do. Read Scripture passages that speak about stewardship and giving, such as 1 Corinthians 16:2, Proverbs 11:25, Proverbs 3:5-9, 2 Corinthians 8:7, Acts 20:35, Luke 6:38, and Psalm 116:12.

How long will my commitment be?

You are asked to make a 3 year commitment.

If I can't give a large amount, does my pledge really matter?

Absolutely! All pledges matter, regardless of the amount. God calls us to give cheerfully and as He leads us, to partner with Him in His work, and then He blesses and multiplies what we give in faith.

When are we expected to give the amount pledged?

Pledge cards will be turned in on Sunday, November 22nd, and you can begin giving immediately.

What forms of contributions will be accepted?

Contributions can be made by cash, check, or online. Other forms of contributions can include the transference of title to marketable stocks, bonds, real estate, etc.

May I update my commitment after I make my pledge?

Yes. You may update your commitment at any time.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS