



Dear members and friends of All Souls,

Our Capital Campaign has been a resounding success – gifts, pledges, and bequests now total over \$10 million! We have already completed some much-needed projects including replacing the elevator, and the Building Advisory Task Force and our staff have overseen the development of an excellent set of plans to renovate the roof and the church exterior, to air-condition and reconfigure the Sanctuary, to renovate the kitchen and garden, and to upgrade our audio, electrical, and sanitation systems.

The renovations that the Board of Trustees, Galen, Audette, and our advisors believe must be done now will require even more money than what we have raised. Our building's needs are much greater than originally anticipated and are interconnected. For example, to air-condition the sanctuary – which is necessary to preserve our invaluable Holtkamp organ and Steinway piano, as well as to generate rental income during the busy summer season – will require putting scaffolds inside the Sanctuary. Scaffolding costs hundreds of thousands of dollars. So it would be a waste to incur that expense without also utilizing the scaffolds to repaint the interior. Similarly, it would be prohibitively expensive to air-condition the Sanctuary if we don't replace the leaky windows. Moreover, if we don't undertake a broad, coordinated program of long-postponed renovations now, the cost of doing them will rise exponentially.

Between now and early-December, Galen, Audette, the Capital Campaign Committee, and the Board of Trustees will be actively seeking donations to “bridge the gap” between what we have raised and what is needed. If we can raise an additional \$3 to 5 million during this period, we will be able to restore our spiritual home for not only ourselves, but for the generations to come. Once we've completed our fundraising, we'll finalize the construction plans and sign contracts, with construction expected to begin in March-April 2019. The Sunday worship services will likely move down to Reidy Friendship Hall after Easter 2019. We hope to complete all construction around Christmas 2019.

The end result will be a beautifully restored building more suitable to our current and future needs! Of course, in the meantime there will be scaffolding inside and out, dust and grime, and rooms closed off to warehouse construction materials. So we not only ask for your financial support. We ask for your indulgence and understanding for all the many inconveniences in the time ahead.

*We hope you can give generously!* Please do not hesitate to speak with us or the ministers about your concerns and hopes for our future. We look forward to working with you through the final Capital Campaign, the construction, and the bright future beyond.



In faith and love,

*Julie Brannan, Carol Kirkman, Heidi DuBois, Robin Bossert,  
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All Souls Board of Trustees

P.S. If you would like to contribute to the Capital Campaign, please contact Eileen Macholl at (212) 535-5530 or [Eileen@allsoulsnyc.org](mailto:Eileen@allsoulsnyc.org) or visit [www.allsoulsnyc.org](http://www.allsoulsnyc.org). Thank you!