

Faithful Giving with Love and Hope

We are eternally grateful for the steadfast love and support of so many parishioners who have generously given time, talent, and treasure during these pandemic months. With God's help, we have sustained our momentum, continued to serve those in need, and opened new horizons with technology, creativity, and imagination. THANK YOU!

Here's What You Can Do Now

Please prayerfully consider and send in your pledges to support parish operations and our mortgage payoff plan.

Your Pledge – of any amount – Really Does Make a Difference!

When you pledge, you:

- Join with others to build a strong future for our parish.
- Help to pay off the mortgage so we can more quickly devote our attention and resources to caring for one another and serving the community we love.
- Help your Vestry build a realistic budget to fund our ministries and operations for the coming year.

The pledge card is included with this booklet. Please complete it and send it in today. If you have questions, contact Molly Cannon, Sr. Warden: swarden@ccpki.org.

*We always give thanks to God for all of you
And mention you in our prayers,
Constantly remembering before our God and Father
Your work of **faith** and
Labor of **love** and
Steadfastness of **hope** in our Lord Jesus Christ*

—1 Thessalonians 1:3



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Christ Church Parish Kent Island
2022 PLEDGE CAMPAIGN
Parish Operations & Mortgage Payoff



At Christ Church Parish,

FAITH has nourished our community for 390 years. Inspired by the legacy of our forebears, we move forward in the steadfast hope of God's love.

We labor in LOVE each day to:

- Worship God who creates, saves, and empowers us
- Care for, support, and cherish one another
- Form our children into loving, strong Christians
- Nourish and care for our community

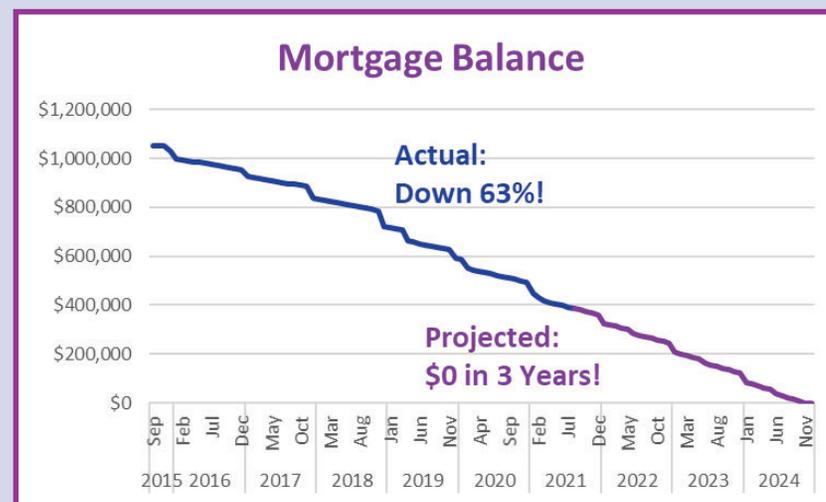
We hold fast to the HOPE we have in Jesus Christ as we strive to strengthen our community and be responsible stewards of all He has given us.

Paying Off the Mortgage in Three Years

As we outgrew the 1880 site of our church, it was clear that we needed a larger and more accessible facility to serve our community. To build our current facility, we secured a mortgage.

In 2015, we began an aggressive approach to eliminate the \$1,100,000 mortgage. We have added an extra \$1,000 each month and \$50,000 each year to our payments. Our current mortgage balance is about \$370,000.

By continuing our plan, we will eliminate the mortgage entirely in three years, which will free up resources for our ministries to spread **FAITH, LOVE, and HOPE** through our community. Furthermore, it will save us over \$30,000 in interest.



Some families may consider paying their three-year pledge to the Mortgage Fund in the first year to increase the value of their gift to the church. Early payments increase the value of your pledge by as much as 15% from interest savings.



Pledging to Support Our Parish Priorities

2022 Pledge Campaign Goals

1. For every parish household to pledge financial support as they are able.
2. To meet or exceed \$165,000 in pledges and \$60,000 in additional gifts to fund 2022 parish operations.

2022–2024 Mortgage Payoff Goals

1. To collectively pledge to pay the \$6,600 mortgage payment plus \$1,000 for each of the next 36 months.
2. To obtain additional gifts of \$50,000 in each of the next three years to pay off the mortgage.
3. For pledgers who are able, to pay their three-year mortgage pledge in the first year or as rapidly as possible.



If you are 70½ or older and own an IRA, you may receive tax advantages from a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) to Christ Church. Please consult your financial advisor regarding your specific situation.



Our Parish Priorities

Parishioners gathered this summer in lively small group meetings at church, in friends' homes, and on-line. We shared our ideas and hopes for our parish, reflecting on what we learned in the last 18 months and imagining the possibilities going forward. Four priorities emerged from those conversations:

Vital Engagement with Children, Youth and Families



Deep Commitment to Care for All



Living Our Faith in Worship and Study



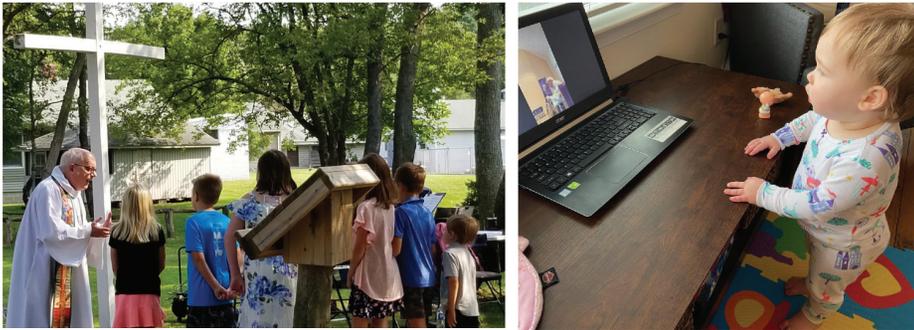
Caring For and Sharing Our Facilities & Resources



Realizing Our Future

Vitaly Engaging with Children, Youth, and Families

- We envision an active, exciting Children, Youth & Families ministry led by caring parents and dedicated parishioners filled with **LOVE** for our children and **HOPE** for our future.
- We have engaged a consultant to help us explore and create energized, meaningful, and contemporary approaches to Christian Formation for children and guide us as we recruit an experienced Christian Formation Program Coordinator.
- We are planning for the important touchstones of our **FAITH**: Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation. We are looking forward to fun and fellowship this fall and winter, building strong **LOVING** Christian relationships among parish children and families.



Caring for All

- We will invest in training a small team of parishioners to assist Father Mark in pastoral care for parishioners and neighbors experiencing life difficulties.
- We provide nourishment and **HOPE** for those in need in our community: Grasonville Food Pantry, Backpack Meals for Kids, Free Community Dinners, Soup Group.
- We have **LOVING** connections with Christ Episcopal Church Day School (CECDS), Camp Wright, Broad Creek Cemetery, Haven Ministries, and other community partners.

Caring for and Sharing Our Facilities & Resources

- We are called to be **FAITHFUL** and **LOVING** stewards of all God has given us.
- We are maintaining our building, grounds and interior as inviting spaces for worship, our ministries, and our community via recovery groups, Scouts, CECDS, and community gatherings.

Living Our FAITH In Worship and Study

- We are investing wisely in technology and equipment to support online worship and study so that everyone can participate.
- We are grateful for the blessings of music led by the choir, organ, and praise band



*We need the prayers,
time, and financial support
of all parishioners
to live into our future*