# A Message from Pastor Karl

Greetings friends! Have you noticed that trees are already starting to change colors! Candy Corn is being sold at local stores! Pumpkin decorations are showing up everywhere! That tells me one season is giving way to another. And the fall season is traditionally a season of giving, both giving thanks and simply giving.

Our church is uniquely blessed to have people who give freely and generously to Christ's work here in Kennedy Township, in Allegheny County and throughout the world. The primary reason most people give to our church is not to "keep the doors open" at 1760 Pine Hollow Road, but to support the ministries that bring people to declare God's grace and to demonstrate God's love. Our members and friends are motivated to give so that our church can make a difference in the lives of children, youth and adults in our congregation and in the mission field beyond our doors.

That is why the Session at KMUPC launched a capital campaign last year. The campaign was derailed for a time due to the pandemic, but now we are back on track. (Trust Jesus!) We have plans for the funds, but you should know that our most basic plan is simply a plan to make an impact by funding the missional and capital needs of our church today and for many years to come.

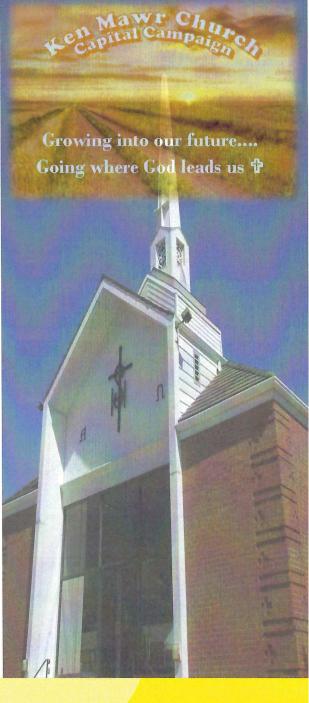
I ask for your investment of God's good gifts so that our church remains healthy and strong into the future. Your gifts to this campaign will fund a plan for ministry that has goals which we pray will result in changed lives. I ask that everyone within our KMVPC family of faith and some of our community friends will join us in this effort to "Grow into our future" and to "Go where God leads us." Sincere thanks to all of you for your faithful support!



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### The Needs of the Campaign

To continue to provide a safe and welcoming home by investing in the following areas:

#### Heating, Cooling & Air Conditioning

 Replace/upgrade HVAC system throughout building

#### Structural Repairs

Repair steeple and roofing

#### **Interior and Exterior Refurbishments**

- Replace flooring (where needed)
- Renovate outdated restrooms
- Renovate upstairs kitchen (including A/C & air ventilation)
- Freshen up paint and plastering
- Resurface parking lot
- Create ADA Accessibility Areas

### Accomplishments to Date

 We now have a state-of-the-art security system thanks to campaign contributions already received.





## Making a Pledge

We invite you to prayerfully consider making a pledge to support these improvements that will enable us to serve the people of God for years to come. Pledges may be fulfilled over a three-year period or as a one-time gift. Reach out to a campaign team member to learn more!



# Mission Beyond Our Walls

Hunger is not always evident to most of us, but it's a harsh reality for many families in our local area and around the world. We will support efforts to end hunger by designating four percent (4%) of the campaign funds to local programs including the KMUPC and other food pantries through the Greater Pittsburgh Food Bank as well as global programs through organizations like Heifer International.

"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9:7

### Campaign Goal—\$750,000

To honor our tradition of worship, service, and devotion to the Christian faith; to support our growing church family; and to secure a future of faithfulness, our campaign goal is \$750,000.

## Campaign Team

Pastor Karl McDonald

Bill/Linda Kent—Co-Chairs

Joe/Melissa McCormick—Co-Chairs

#### Committee Chairs

Ken/Linda Barth—Congregational Gifts

David/Kathy Gadsby—Prayer

Vickį Halaja—Support

Bart Huchel—Finance

Linda Kent/Diane Kuffner—Hospitality

Melissa McCormick—Communications

Bucky/Amy Savatt—Fulfillment/Follow-up

Tom/Cheryl Simchak— Leadership Gifts