

University Presbyterian Church

God's Plans | Our Hands
Going The Second Mile

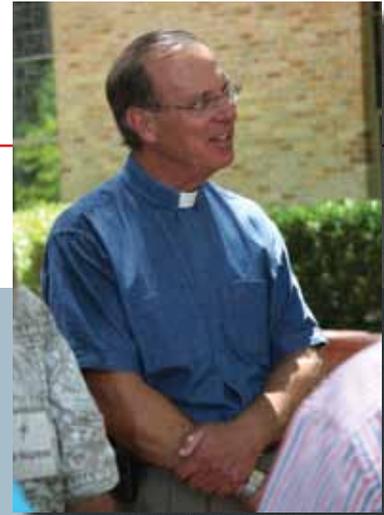


The Vision

Going the Second Mile

*If someone asks you to go
a mile, go with him two...*

Matthew 6:41



As I write this Vision Statement on a summer Tuesday morning, about a dozen UPC members are in the fellowship hall hosting 60 to 70 people in need of aid. The men, women, and children filing into the Fellowship Hall each week come to UPC seeking help with rent assistance and emergency food. Some have come for nothing more than a safe place to sit, have a cup of coffee and be welcomed into God's house. This UPLift ministry, like so many other ministries of this church, personifies a congregation going the second mile to serve others in the name of Christ.

As you know, thanks to a successful capital campaign three years ago, our facility has a new HVAC system for heating and air-conditioning. Now more groups can comfortably use our facility for worship, study, fellowship, and service. We also created more space for our Micah 6 Food Pantry ministry, which serves approximately 500 families a week. The Great Hall provides our Micah 6 clients with a place to wait before shopping.

Our UPC Mission Statement begins, "Empowered by God's Spirit, we will follow Jesus Christ..." As followers of Jesus, we are constantly challenged to sacrificial, second-mile living. Time and again, Jesus beckons his disciples to become ever more loving, more forgiving, more hospitable, and more generous. Thus the phrase "going the second mile" is more than a slogan for our Capital campaign – it is a description of the life and ministry of University Presbyterian Church.

You will find in this brochure a vision for re-purposing our space in ways that will greatly expand our ability to make a difference in the lives of people. You hold in your hands an opportunity to take that second-mile journey with a congregation that is "doing justice, loving kindness, and walking humbly with our God."

Shalom, San

The Need

Creating space to serve others and build community

The kitchen on the lower level is currently in disrepair. Just imagine the benefit a large, attractive, fully functioning kitchen will offer us as a congregation with visionary outreach to college students, youth, and others. Take a look at the architectural drawings included in this brochure to get an idea of how the kitchen space on the lower level of this church will be renovated. The designs show it opening onto an inviting, functional dining area for our congregation to foster fellowship and provide service. Now imagine an improved Great Hall opening onto a landscaped courtyard and garden, offering space for contemplation and a place for our children to play safely.

That's the vision of our congregation's second mile capital campaign. These critical spaces, when renovated, can become centers for fellowship and service. Outreach recipients, church members, and friends will benefit from enhanced accessibility features that are part of the improvements to come. The Great Hall will be transformed into a functional space for dinners, receptions, large meetings, and improved hospitality for Micah 6 clients. The courtyard and green space will provide a peaceful place to walk, rest on benches, pray or tend the community garden.

The re-purposing of our facility will expand our ability to serve others and strengthen our community. We go the second mile when we use the resources God has given us, individually and as a congregation, to help meet the needs that have been set before us. While those needs are great, greater still are the gifts that God has given us. It is up to us to determine how we use those resources in the service of others, in God's name.



The Plan

Completion of the kitchen and Great Hall will facilitate greater fellowship in gatherings, receptions and meal preparations for the congregation. The updated Great Hall will provide a welcoming space for Micah 6 recipients. The plan also includes building out the north courtyard, extending the boundaries of our facility's walls, and addressing the water intrusion problems that continue to exist on the lower level.

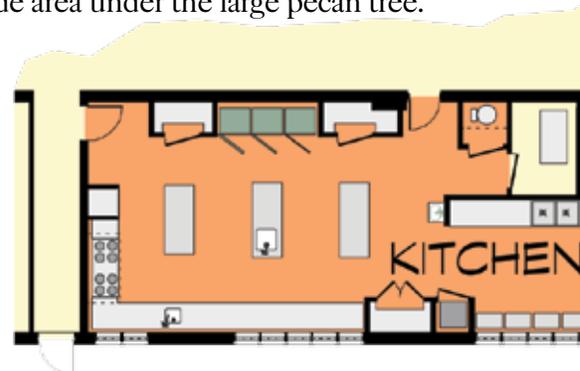
The main kitchen will be designed to support the needs of members, caterers, and professional cooks for congregational events. It will include two ovens, a large gas range, two large reach-in refrigerators and one large reach-in freezer, along with a steel food-washing sink, water-filler spout for tea makers and coffee pots, and food prep counter tops and tables. Storage areas for dishes, linens and pots and pans will be increased and a stackable washer/dryer will be installed for better linen cleaning.

Dishwashing is another important part of the kitchen design. A wash area will be separate from the food prep areas, with two under-counter commercial dishwashers, a three-basin stainless steel sink, stainless steel countertops, a wash-down sprayer, and a garbage disposal. Storage for mobile serving carts will be located in this area as well.

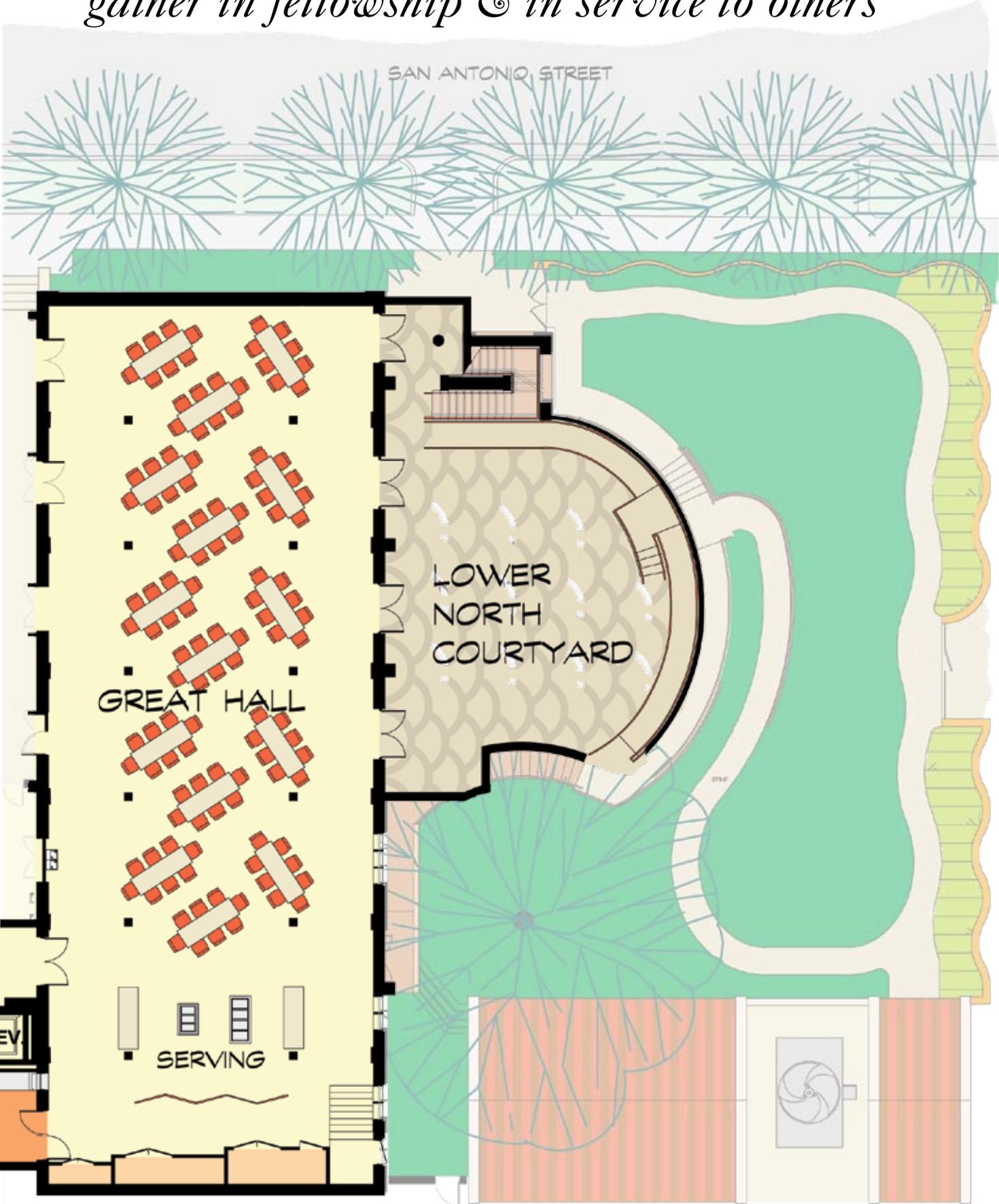
The Great Hall will be completed with an acoustic ceiling and new lighting. Additionally, new floors will be installed. Lockable storage space, which is a great necessity, will be built out along the east wall. Installation of three large French doors opening to the north courtyard will provide a gateway to the great outdoors.

The courtyard will serve as an outdoor extension of the Great Hall, with a lower level spacious patio and an upper level lawn and garden. These areas will serve as versatile, multi-purpose open spaces for all ages. A front gate entrance on San Antonio Street will open onto the upper level of the north courtyard.

The upper yard will consist of a gently sloping grassy area and a shade area under the large pecan tree. A sidewalk and ramp will work itself through the upper and lower levels for improved accessibility. A community garden will be planted along the north wall.



*the new facilities will help our congregation
gather in fellowship & in service to others*





Gift Guide

NUMBER OF COMMITMENTS	AMOUNT OF WEEKLY COMMITMENT	AMOUNT OF EACH COMMITMENT FOR 3 YRS	ACCUMULATIVE TOTAL
1 @		\$200,000.	\$200,000.
1 @		150,000.	150,000.
1 @		100,000.	100,000.
1 @		75,000.	75,000.
3 @		50,000.	150,000.
5 @		40,000.	200,000.
5 @		30,000.	150,000.
6 @		25,000.	150,000.
8 @	\$128.20	20,000.	160,000.
10 @	96.15	15,000.	150,000.
12 @	64.10	10,000.	120,000.
12 @	48.00	7,500.	75,000.
15 @	32.05	5,000.	75,000.
20 @	25.00	3,900.	78,000.
20 @	20.00	3,120.	62,400.
20 @	15.00	2,340.	46,800.
25 @	10.00	1,560.	39,500.
VARIOUS	VARIOUS		18,300.
TOTAL			2,000,000.

*Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us,
and prosper for us the work of our hands—
O prosper the work of our hands!*

Psalm 90:17

Please study the above Gift Guide then prayerfully seek God's direction as you consider your gift. We encourage you to give an amount that demonstrates your faith in God as well as your love for the church. Whatever the amount you give, let it be given joyfully as an act of gratitude and thanksgiving to God. Your gift represents an investment for making a difference in people's lives now and for generations to come.

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