

### The Shepherd's Grace Campaign

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### EASTER CAMPAIGN PRAYER

Remember the promise Jesus spoke to His disciples earlier during Holy Week: "BECAUSE I LIVE, YOU ALSO WILL LIVE." John 14:19. I trust you are living in and enjoying God's gracious promises to you in His Son, Jesus, and especially now in this Easter season. Remember those words our risen Savior first spoke to Peter and to us in this Easter season: "Feed My Lambs!" and "Feed My Sheep!" We heed these words of Jesus here at Good Shepherd because we know He has richly fed us with His promises of GRACE. Further, He wants us to "FEED" the sheep and lambs of His Kingdom around us with the same promises we enjoy.

## **Donation Update**

We've had **18** GS adult donors pledge/donate, for a total of \$301,600.00 to date. **CHALLENGE** Our GS students raised over \$1,200.00 during their fund **GOAL!** raising period. In total, we have raised almost **\$303,000.00!!** \$3.6M We are all pieces of a greater mission, together our pieces can make the mission come to fruition. Come check out our donor wall, which will be \$3M updated weekly. \$2M HERD'S \$1.75M \$1.5M DNORS TO DATE **Corinthians 9:7** \$1.25M Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, **Good Shepherd** \$1M or God loves a cheerful giver. \$750.000 \$500,000 \$250,000

# **Volunteer News**

### **CREATIVE GIVING**

#### Update:

We are excited to share that the next Creative Giving Seminar will take place on April 14 at 11:30am in the Sanctuary. It will also be live streamed! Please feel free to share with out-of-town friends/family that might be interested.

You can access our livestream through: https://www.youtube.com/goodshepnews

**<u>REMINDER</u>**: If you work for a company, check to see if they do any charitable gift matching prior to making your pledge/campaign contribution. This is something that a lot of companies and organizations offer and a great way to make your gift go further.

### GIFT GATHERING TEAM

#### Update:

The Gift Gathering team has been hard at work! They are well on their way to having connected with nearly 100 members! THANK YOU to both our team of volunteers and YOU for taking the time to connect!

### **KEY DATES:**

April 14 - Informational Meeting @ 9:15am April 14 - Creative Giving Seminar @ 11:30am

April 17 - Prayer Service @ 6pm

April 20 - Grace Dinner Student Fundraiser @ 5pm and 6:30pm. Please RSVP on the HUB!

April 21 - Commitment Weekend 0 8am and 10am services

# **Frequently Asked Questions**

### **Creative Giving**

**Question:** How can I make a direct transfer from a Brokerage/Investment account to satisfy my pledge and avoid Capital Gains Tax?

Answer: Here is the information you will need: Broker: Charles Schwab & Co. Inc. Account Name: Good Shepherd Brokerage Account Account #: 3768-9026 DTC: #0164 Federal Tax ID#: 41-6175156 Memo: Capital Campaign Contact: Treasurer Gordon Dierauer, email treasurer@goodshep.com or call 952-431-1157

**Question:** Will only GS church members be asked to contribute to the campaign, or will we be asking the school families, along with local and Minnesota based companies, and applying for grants?

**Answer:** The current plan is to have several phases of the campaign focused on various groups and organizations.

Currently we are in the first phase, focusing on church members, as the true goal of the project is to grow the Kingdom of God and allow us to share the Shepherd's Grace with even more people both in the school as well as in our community.

Once we have reached Commitment Weekend on the church side, which is coming up at the end of April, we will begin reaching out to school families as well.

The Creative Giving team continues to build a list of locally owned and Minnesota based companies. They plan to reach out in May to ask them for support and sponsorship. Know someone that may be interested in donating? Please reach out to Molly Binger: mollymsell@yahoo.com or Josh Oachs: jboachs9813@hotmail.com.

Lastly, some members of the Creative Giving team are researching and starting to apply for grants that do not exclude religious affiliation.

#### Submit your questions by end of day on Thursdays!

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Angie Koob: drop by the welcome desk to speak with her directly or leave a written note.

