

As soon as Simon Peter heard him say, **“It is the Lord,”** he wrapped his outer garment around him (for he had taken it off) and **jumped** into the water.

John 21:7

Pray Persistently

Pray that God will work in the hearts of people at First Christian and that we will listen with the intent to respond.

Commit Fully

Be part of the 100% engagement by saying YES and encouraging others to do the same.

Celebrate Loudly

God is going to do amazing things in your life during this season. Share God’s handiwork enthusiastically with everyone!

Give Generously

Live and give in a way that stretches you to take your faith to a whole new level of generosity.

Key Dates

Worship & Vision Nights - Jan 21 & Jan 24

Cannonball Begins - Jan 28

Advance Commitment Night - Feb 18

Commitment Sunday - Mar 3

JUMP IN. MAKE WAVES.



Cannonball

Vision Summary

For more than 150 years we have witnessed what God can do when God’s people trust in Jesus and jump all in. We have benefitted from the waves of ministry impact that God has accomplished through First Christian Church. And now, like a kid on the edge of a diving board, it’s our generation’s turn to jump in and make waves.

A cannonball isn’t something you can do half-way, or by timidly sticking your toes in the water. A cannonball requires full commitment—going “all in.” And once you take that leap, you will send waves of impact across the water as you immerse yourself in that jump.

It’s the same way in our lives with Christ! Following Jesus invites us to a fully committed life—a life that is surrendered to His ways and His purposes so that we can create kingdom-building waves of impact in our church, our community, and our world. We believe God is calling us to do a cannonball—an “all in” commitment that will result in a ripple effect of ministry. What steps of faith is the Lord calling you to so you can truly jump in with Jesus and the mission God is doing through FCC?

God is going to do great things through these next two years and beyond as we all jump in together and say,

Cannonball!

Our Primary Goal: 100% Engagement

That each and every person at FCC would engage fully in the Cannonball initiative through generosity. We invite every person to engage with God, engage with His Word, and to ultimately take that leap and jump all in.

JUMP IN

Jump into Faith

What area of life are you holding back and need to release in full surrender to Jesus? What next step do you need to take that moves you into a place of greater dependence on God? Is your life marked by a radical obedience, demonstrating that you are being conformed to the image of Christ and not to the image of the world?

Jump into Life

Will you commit in these two years to Live the DNA as a follower of Jesus who Loves God, Loves Everyone, Makes Disciples and Tells your Story? Pray for the ministry impact of FCC over the next two years. Ask God that together we might prepare the church for the next fifty years of ministry impact.

Jump into Generosity

As you deepen your understanding of the love and provision of God, are you moving towards an eternal perspective on all of your time, talents, and treasures? Does the way you give truly reflect the first position Jesus should have in your life? Will you make a legacy gift and a full commitment designed to partner with God in waves of ministry impact? What is your next step of obedience to Jesus in this area?

MAKE WAVES

Wave of Ministry - \$6M (over two years)

This encompasses all of our core ministry over the next two years. We are trusting God to continue growing the ministry of First Christian Church to all generations through worship, service, discipleship, and evangelism.

Wave of Impact - \$1.3M

We will make an immediate ministry impact in four areas that have been core to our mission strategy over the last 150 years and will be in the years to come. These investments will be beyond our normal ministry budget and will be designed to make an immediate ministry impact that sends out waves for years to come. Through Cannonball, we desire to:

1. Make another major investment in the SEND campaign we began five years ago by funding ministry training at Milligan University and internships and residencies here at FCC.
2. Expand our local compassion ministry to the unhoused and hungry in our city.
3. Invest in church planting in our region & across the country.
4. Launch new strategies for mission trips & missionary support.

Wave of Legacy - \$6M*

To prepare for the next fifty years of ministry we will begin work on a major campus update and expansion. This will include expanded worship spaces, updated children and youth spaces, and corresponding improvements to lobbies, adult education spaces, entrances, and campus unity. Our core building has been blessing our ministry for the last fifty years and we will be establishing a home for the next fifty.

*The total cost of the anticipated capital project is \$14-18M. The difference between what we raise as part of the Cannonball initiative and the total cost will be addressed through construction phasing and financing.

Secondary Goal Total - \$13.3M

If we commit ourselves to the primary goal of 100% engagement, we trust that God will work through us to invest 13.3 million over the next two years to expand our ministry, impact our region, and begin the development of our new facility.