

# IMMEASURABLY MORE Capital Campaign begins September 29th



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#### Dates To Remember

Awareness Forum September 22 September 29



Campus Prayer Walk September 24



Vision Sunday September 29



Prayer Workshop October 4 & 5



Commitment Celebration
Oktoberfest
October 27



Give Thanks Sunday
November 24

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# Gloria Dei,

Greetings and blessings in the name of Jesus. Gloria Dei is embarking upon the IMMEASURABLY MORE capital campaign this Fall for various needs and ministry dreams that can only be accomplished through a special capital initiative that is not covered in our annual church budget or operating expenses. We believe God is calling us to embark upon a journey to expand our ministry to Kids, Students and Families, improve portions of our facility, and deepen our community outreach so that MORE people will live life with Jesus every day!

Ephesians 3:20-21 reminds us that God can do IMMEASURABLY MORE than we could ever ask or imagine. These verses are part of a larger prayer that asks God for spiritual strength. Your prayers and sacrificial involvement are essential in making this vision a reality.

By participating and contributing in the IMMEASURABLY MORE Capital Campaign, you are investing in the future of Gloria Dei and our Kingdom Impact far beyond our campus. I invite you to join me on this journey of spiritual growth and partnership to fulfill our mission of helping IMMEASURABLY MORE people live life with Jesus every day!

Pastor Dan

# Why are we doing this?

In January of 1967, 70+ mission-minded families followed the call of the Lord to begin a new ministry called Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, in order to reach the Nassau Bay community for the cause of Christ. In these past 57 years, countless lives have been transformed and enormous kingdom impact has taken place.

Gloria Dei has been blessed with a rich legacy of leaders who moved forward boldly to begin something bigger than themselves. Because of their vision, generosity and faithfulness, Gloria Dei is now blessed with a large, beautiful campus, and a family of believers who are "helping IMMEASURABLY MORE people live life with Jesus every day!"

The time has come for us to stand with those who have gone before us, as we continue to build on the legacy they started to reach more people with the Gospel of Jesus Christ. As we move forward in mission and ministry, a commitment to fiscal responsibility, courageous generosity and biblical stewardship positions us for future strength and influence.

#### **Our Vision**

At the forefront of this campaign is a desire to invest in the future of Gloria Dei for our Kids, Students and Families. This investment is not only critical for their faith formation and navigating through an everchanging culture, but to provide an expanded venue to disciple and equip our families to know and live out their calling as disciples of Jesus Christ and extend community impact to the spaces we live, work, learn, play, and gather.

Imagine every man, woman, and child at Gloria Dei knew and lived out their calling as a disciple of Jesus, living fully alive in God's grace and sharing that grace and good news with their community!

#### The Plan

To bring this vision to life, we are launching the IMMEASURABLY MORE capital campaign in October 2024. Allocations for the campaign are as follows:

- 80% Campus improvements and upgrades; Kids and Student Ministry expansion
- 10% External Missions
- 10% Debt Reduction

A highly successful campaign will:

- Position Gloria Dei to serve the needs of Kids and Student Ministries with IMMEASURABLY MORE opportunities.
- Improve and expand our facilities and increase our capacity to reach IMMEASURABLY MORE people with the message of Jesus Christ within and beyond our community
- Provide IMMEASURABLY MORE funding for our local and global partnerships
- Reduce our building debt IMMEASURABLY MORE to under \$500,000, (in 2013, it was \$10.3 million).

#### **MORE**

Our goal for this capital campaign is to raise \$5.5 million over the next 3½ years, above and beyond our regular giving.

The campaign emphasizes:

- Ministry Expansion
- Opportunity for Growth
- Reaching our Community
- Equipping Disciples

#### **Ministry Expansion**

This campaign will fund a strategic decision to grow and expand our "Kids Ministry" and provide expanded gathering spaces throughout our facility.

#### Opportunity for Growth

This campaign will also "Raise MORE People" in their stewardship, commitment, and discipleship to Jesus. We have the privilege to leave a mark on the next generation and beyond. Gloria Dei has been blessed to serve this community for over 50 years. Our two beautiful places to worship, Life Center, Student center and an Early Childhood Education center are just parts of a building, but through these sacred spaces, lives have been introduced to our Savior, Jesus Christ and transformed for eternity.

#### **Reaching our Community**

This campaign will provide opportunities for us to serve our community in various ways.

#### **Equipping Disciples**

Through biblical stewardship and generosity, we believe this campaign will provide opportunities to grow in our faith and generosity and provide more opportunities for the next generation to hear about Jesus.



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**IMMEASURABLY MORE** 



# What does the logo mean?

The title comes from Ephesians 3:20-21 where Paul reminds us that God is able to do IMMEASURABLY MORE than all we ask or imagine.

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It has been designed to reflect the emphasis of this campaign enabling Gloria Dei to become a channel for God to do IMMEASURABLY MORE to reach the next generation of children, students and families.

- The infinity sign reminds us that God is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine as we let Him work in and through us.
- The characters at the top represent a family, reminding us, as the family of Christ at Gloria Dei, of our mission to reach families.
- At the bottom of the logo are four words to remind us of the four emphases of our campaign:
   Ministry Expansion
   Opportunity for Growth
   Reaching our Community
   Equipping Disciples

Let the logo remind you of these things every time you see it.

# A note from Pastor Dan



Please pray with me for His guidance, as we take this next ministry step, and trust in His promise, as stated in our campaign theme verse, Ephesians 3:20-21 NIV. "Now to Him who is able to do IMMEASURABLY MORE than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever! Amen."

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Heavenly Father, we humbly seek Your wisdom and guidance as we launch this capital campaign. May we be rooted and established in love as we seek Your will for this church. Open our hearts and strengthen us with Your power in our inner being to pursue all that You desire us to do. May Your Holy Spirit lead us and guide us into the future of IMMEASURABLY MORE as we aspire to glorify God by reaching and serving more people for generations to come. In the name of Jesus. Amen.

Love y'all!

Pastor Dan