



THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF SAINT PAUL



*A house of prayer for all people*

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## A MESSAGE FROM OUR DEAN

TWO YEARS AGO, THE LEADERSHIP OF THIS CATHEDRAL SET OUT A VISION FOR THE NEXT ERA OF OUR MINISTRY.



Our strategic plan included a determination to:

- Take a leading role in the post-pandemic spiritual renewal of the city and the diocese.
- Claim our vocation to convene conversation and work across differences in our neighborhood.
- Strengthen the civic fabric and renew hearts and minds by hosting events at the intersection of arts, education, and faith.

In the two years since we affirmed this calling, the need for spiritual renewal, work across differences, and a stronger civic fabric are even greater. Our Cathedral is so well situated, and our staff, chapter, and congregations so convicted of our calling, that we turn to you to partner with us in making this vision a reality.

Replacing failing HVAC systems and installing lifts in office buildings is not glamorous, but it is essential for our current staff and visitors and in order to welcome new programs and non-profit organizations into the space. Adding the capacity for zoned, efficient air-conditioning to the sanctuary and Sproat Hall on increasingly long and hot summer days opens up countless new possibilities for hosting diocesan, civic, and arts events and allowing those without other places to stay cool a life-giving welcome.

I invite your financial support as well as your prayers for this crucial campaign. And if you've not been to the Cathedral recently, please do make a plan to come see what God is *already* doing here and envision the possibilities this campaign will help us make realities.

Faithfully,

*Amy*

(The Very Rev.) Amy E. McCreath  
Dean



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THE POWER BEHIND US IS GREATER THAN THE CHALLENGES AHEAD OF US.

## THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF SAINT PAUL

For over one hundred years, our Cathedral has gathered people from across the diocese, across the region, and across disciplines and faiths to pray, build relationships, be inspired, and work for justice.

As we move into the next century of ministry, we are called to expand our capacity to do all these things. God invites us to prepare our space to welcome all of God's people year-round. The challenges facing our city, our church, and our world are many and complex. But as Bishop Barbara Harris liked to say, "*The power behind us is greater than the challenges ahead of us.*"

- We are ready to use our facilities to build partnerships that create new possibilities and build the civic fabric. *Will you help us do this?*
- We are ready to move fully into the potential of being located at the crossroads of many neighborhoods at the heart of a great city. *Will you help us do this?*
- We are ready to offer respite, refreshment, and space for renewal to all, even during the increasingly intemperate summer months. *Will you help us do this?*
- We are ready to make our office space, meeting rooms, and sacred spaces welcoming and accessible for all who work, visit, pray, or learn in them. *Will you help us do this?*

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## JOIN US LIVING INTO OUR CAPACITY TO GATHER AND SERVE A NEW ERA, AND BEYOND.

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### OUR PLAN

Our diocesan *Together Now* 2016 campaign afforded a visionary renovation of our Cathedral. The flexible, revitalized space in the Sanctuary and Sproat Hall expanded our outreach and ministry, but there is one final step: to complete the work that was begun in 2016, by installing air-conditioning in the Sanctuary and Sproat Hall, replacing the failing air-conditioning in the Clark and Sears buildings, and making the office buildings fully accessible to those with mobility limitations.

Not only will this work make the space more useful for worship, performances, and special events year-round, it will allow us to serve the city missionally as a gathering place for those speaking out for social justice, a place of theological formation, and a center of hospitality for the visual and performing arts. The accessibility work in our office buildings will make the whole 138 campus welcoming to all, opening up new possibilities for collaboration and rentals.

### THE DETAILS

The project is estimated to cost \$4.8 million. The Diocese is expected to be a major partner in meeting this cost. The Cathedral is responsible for at least half of the project expense and expects that \$1.2 million will be raised through our Capital Campaign and the remainder will come from the Cathedral's endowment.

The Cathedral's commitment to be good stewards of the environment has not waived. And although the project will bring air conditioning to the Sanctuary and Sproat Hall for the first time, the environmental impact of this project will be mitigated by replacing the end-of-life systems in our office building with systems developed to maximize energy efficiency at today's standards. In addition, we are committing to increase our utilization of renewable energy sources. Currently, we purchase our energy through a local cooperative buying group which sources approximately 30% of energy from sustainable energy sources e.g., solar and wind which will continue to demonstrate our desire to decrease our environmental impact.

**Won't you partner with us in this work?  
Make it possible for the faithful, the seekers,  
the wanderers, and those longing for a deeper  
connection to God and the world around us to  
experience radical hospitality and be equipped  
for their journey ahead in this space.**





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## OUR MISSION AND MINISTRIES

The Cathedral Church of St. Paul is a *House of Prayer for All People*, amplifying the mission of the Diocese of Massachusetts. All that we do is grounded in this mission and participates in our strategic plan, which you can find on our website.

- We serve a wide range of worshipping communities including our Sunday Congregation, The Crossing, MANNA, La Misa (Spanish Mass), a vibrant Muslim community, and a diocesan Chinese Congregation.
- We also offer daily Morning Prayer, and weekly Spiritual Rehydration and Sung Compline.
- We host the people of the diocese for prayer, training, and for justice-making action.
- Our Ministry of the Steps creatively brings the values and radical welcome of the cathedral out the front doors and onto the front plaza throughout the summer.
- We host episcopal liturgies like ordinations and confirmations, and partner with the diocese to host all manner of meetings and special events throughout the year.
- We rent office space to several non-profits doing life-giving work in the community.
- The cathedral's space is used by several arts groups on a regular basis and other non-profits for special meetings and celebrations.
- We would be glad to talk more with you about our ministries and our strategic plan, which this project will support. Check out our website for our schedule of events at [stpaulboston.org](http://stpaulboston.org).



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## A PLACE FOR ALL

### WHAT YOU ARE BEING ASKED TO DO

1. Read over the information contained in this brochure and prayerfully consider a sacrificial gift to the best of your ability.

We are asking you to consider a leadership pledge to our campaign. This pledge could be paid with a 10% down payment and monthly installments over a three or four-year period. If your situation permits a more substantial pledge, your extra generosity will be most appreciated. If your situation warrants a lesser amount, we ask that you respond as generously as possible.

*Remember, not everyone can give at the same level. However, everyone can make the same sacrifice.*

2. Complete the enclosed pledge form. State the total amount of your pledge, enclose your down-payment check, and select the payment plan you prefer for the remainder of your pledge.

Payment reminders will be mailed to you based on the schedule you select on your pledge form: monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, annually or however you stipulate.

3. Please mail or bring the pledge card to the cathedral. We are asking you to make your pledge within two weeks. This will give our campaign the needed momentum for success.

#### PLEASE KEEP IN MIND

No one can tell you how much you should give. You are the only one who decides what to contribute, since everyone's financial obligations are different. What you give will be held in the strictest confidence.

All contributions, from the smallest to the largest, will be gratefully appreciated. Your decision is a personal one. It should be made in a spirit of committed Christian stewardship.

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SUGGESTED PLEDGE PLANS	10% DOWN PAYMENT	36 MONTHLY PAYMENTS (3 YEARS)	12 QUARTERLY PAYMENTS (3 YEARS)	3 ANNUAL PAYMENTS (3 YEARS)
\$50,000	\$5,000	\$1,250	\$3,750	\$15,000
\$25,000	\$2,500	\$625	\$1,875	\$7,500
\$10,000	\$1,000	\$250	\$750	\$3,000
\$7,500	\$750	\$188	\$562.50	\$2,250
\$5,000	\$500	\$125	\$375	\$1,500
\$4,000	\$400	\$100	\$300	\$1,200
\$3,000	\$300	\$75	\$225	\$900
\$2,000	\$200	\$50	\$150	\$600
\$1,000	\$100	\$25	\$75	\$300

**AS YOU MAKE YOUR PLEDGE, REMEMBER...**

- Payments would best be made over a period of 36 months (3 years) or less.
- Pledge payments are in addition to your other support for the Cathedral.
- Payment reminders and a special payment envelope will be mailed to you in accordance with your payment plan.
- All payments toward your pledge are deductible for tax purposes.
- Please make checks payable to: *Cathedral Church of St. Paul*. Please note in the memo section “Capital Campaign.” If the check is coming from a third party (Fidelity, Vanguard, etc.) please have them include your name in the memo section.

**AN APPEAL FOR SPECIAL GENEROSITY**

If you are financially able to pledge as much as \$10,000, \$25,000, \$50,000 or more, we ask you to consider being a leader in our campaign.

**TAX ADVANTAGES OF THOUGHTFUL GIVING**

Federal and state laws on income and inheritance taxes encourage charitable giving. All annual contributions to our campaign are tax deductible for those who itemize their deductions.

For some, a gift from a mandatory IRA distribution can be beneficial to both the Cathedral and the donor. Check with your financial planner.

It is particularly advantageous for some people to contribute appreciated securities (stock), real property, or other valuables. The current fair market value of securities or property is deductible, and by transferring these assets to the church the donor pays no capital gains tax.

If you wish to make a gift of stock please contact Roger Lovejoy, Director of Development. Call 617-482-4826 x309 or email Roger at [rlovejoy@diomass.org](mailto:rlovejoy@diomass.org).

Because each family situation is unique, we urge you to discuss your commitments within your family. You may also wish to discuss it with your financial advisor to see which plan would be most beneficial to you and to the Cathedral Church of St. Paul.

**PLANNED GIVING**

Have you remembered the Cathedral in your will and estate planning? Through your will, you can designate a gift to the Cathedral that will be a lasting legacy. Including the Cathedral in your will costs you nothing now yet makes a wonderful faith witness for your family, friends and others. It is a gift anyone can make. A will should always be drawn up by a qualified attorney familiar with your financial circumstances, family situation and your wishes for your estate. It is wise to seek advice from an attorney and other professionals when considering charitable giving.



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### A CAMPAIGN PRAYER

Holy and Gracious One,  
We praise you for your wisdom, your loving-kindness, and your faithfulness.

Your Spirit has been at work in this Cathedral through generations,  
Guiding us in our calling to be a House of Prayer for All People.

Bless us now as we grow into the future you have planned for us.

Make us courageous to serve and generous in giving,  
and infuse our efforts with your grace,  
that this campaign and all that it makes possible  
might do even more than we can ask or imagine,  
and that your love might be made manifest in all seasons and  
in all your people.

Through Jesus Christ our Savior,  
Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,  
One God, now and always.

Amen.



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