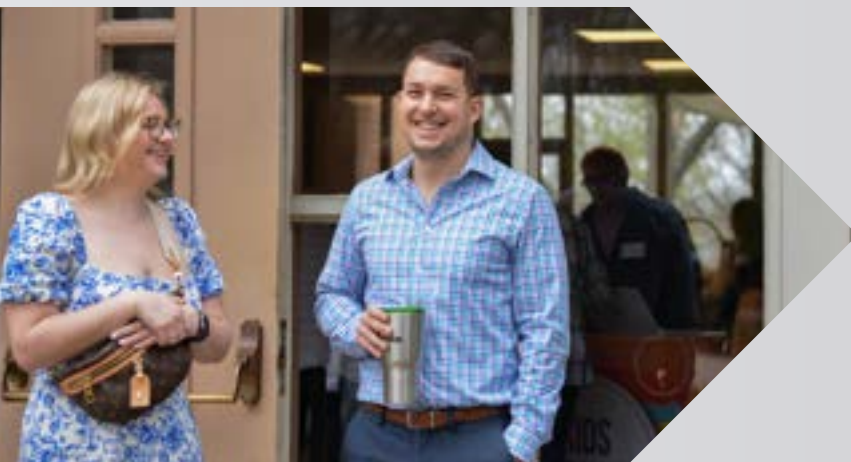
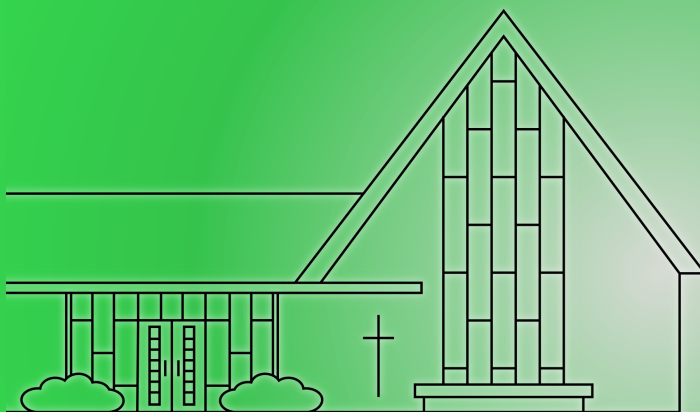




"Unless the Lord builds the
house, the builders labor in vain."
Psalm 127:1



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WHAT IS THE "GREATER THAN" CAMPAIGN?



There are seasons in the life of a church when God calls us into something clearly greater than what we could accomplish on our own. Our **Greater Than** campaign is one of those moments.

This vision is greater than our comfort. It stretches us to trust God in new ways and to believe that what He is building here is worth sacrifice and faith. Scripture reminds us that what feels impossible to us is never impossible with Him: "With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible." (Matthew 19:26)

This purpose is greater than today. What we are giving toward isn't just about buildings or projects—it's about people, ministry, mission, worship, and the countless lives God will reach through this church.

This calling is greater than our ability... but God is greater than our limitations. He is able to take what we give—our resources, our faith, our obedience—and multiply it for His glory and His Kingdom. Ephesians 3:20 reminds us "Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine..."

So, yes—this is greater than us.

Greater than our comfort.

Greater than our resources.

Greater than what seems possible.

But God is greater than all of that.

As we pray, give, and step forward in faith together, we get to be part of something God-sized—something that will outlast us, bless generations after us, and point people to Jesus.



WHAT WE HAVE LEARNED



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Items with strong shared support include:

- Children's Ministry space must be secure with suitable restrooms.
 - Children's Ministry should be easily accessible to families and not split across levels.
 - Children's Ministry should be remodeled for potential use Monday through Friday.
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- The sanctuary requires aesthetic updates, including flooring and more comfortable seating.
 - Maintain the traditional look of the Sanctuary.
 - New restrooms should be close to the Sanctuary and existing restrooms require remodeling.
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- Improvements are needed to make the building fully accessible for individuals with disabilities and the elderly.
 - The Fellowship Hall requires new flooring and dividers for smaller meeting spaces.
 - There is a demand for versatile ministry spaces equipped with flexible technology and furnishings.
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- Address plumbing, electrical, and HVAC for improved building efficiency and reduced future maintenance costs.
 - Costs must be effectively managed so we don't overextend ourselves.



FAQ's

What is the timeframe for my commitment?

The giving initiative runs for 36 months starting in 2026 with commitments made and fulfilled until 2029. Because the 36-month commitment spans multiple calendar years, we hope this timeframe enables everyone to commit more generously.

Why do we need to receive commitments for giving over a three year period?

A multi-year pledge allows us all to think about what we may be able to do when giving over a period of time. First of all, a person may not have cash available right away but could allocate or re-prioritize funds over three years. Second, there are tax advantages to giving over three years.

What sources can I use to fund my commitment?

Usually, cash and savings are the first sources that come to mind, but you are also welcome to fulfill your commitment using:

- Stocks
- Mutual funds
- Annuities
- IRA distributions
- Other non-cash assets such as vehicles, land, real estate, or business holdings.

There are often tax advantages when giving non-cash assets. For example, it is possible to reduce or eliminate tax liability on the appreciation of stocks by donating via stock transfer. Please check with your tax advisor. If you have questions about using non-cash assets to fund your commitment, reach out to Pastor Steve and he can help answer your questions.

How should my *Greater Than* commitment relate to my current giving?

The *Greater Than* campaign is instrumental to our future as a church. Maintaining our regular giving is important to sustain our current ministries. The *Greater Than* campaign challenges us to do something extraordinary – to sacrificially give over and above our regular tithes and offerings.



What projects are part of the remodel?

As God provides resources through His people, plans include:

- Fellowship Hall renovation
- A variety of gathering spaces for adults.
- Renovation and relocation of Children's Ministries to the main level.
- Renovation and relocation of office space to the lower level.
- New flooring and seating in Sanctuary.
- New restrooms near the Sanctuary.
- Reovation of our entryway to create a larger space to gather.

Will we incur debt for the initiative?

We do not anticipate long-term borrowing for this expansion. Our goal is for Palos Community Church to complete the projects as God provides through the generosity of His people. This approach will allow us to complete the project in an even stronger financial position as we reach more people for Christ.

How do I make my commitment?

Commitment Sundays are March 15th and March 22nd. Several weeks before then, you'll be provided a giving guide – a practical tool for prayerfully considering and making a financial commitment. As God guides you through this process, we ask every person or family who is connected to Palos Community Church to bring their Commitment Card on, or before, Sunday March 15th or March 22nd.

How much money are we trying to raise?

We believe we can raise \$700,000. When we add the money we already have in our building fund, we are hoping to be able to fund a little over \$1 million for our projects in phase 1.

FAQ'S
continued





A NOTE ABOUT GIVING

God Owns Everything

When we think about personal finance, it's easy to make plans about what we're going to do with "our money." But when we think about "our money," it's important to understand what that really means. The money isn't ours in the sense that we own it; it's simply ours in the sense that we're responsible for managing it. The truth is, everything we have belongs to God.

Everyone is investing in something

We've been taught to make investing in our personal financial portfolios a priority. But God offers us the opportunity to invest in the work He is doing in the lives of people. What are you going to invest in?

How we handle our finances shows how fearlessly we trust God

The temperature of our faith is closely linked to how we handle the resources that God has given each of us.

ACTS 4:32-35

All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had. With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all that there were no needy persons among them. For from time to time those who owned land or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales and put it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to anyone who had need.



EVERYONE DOING WHAT THEY CAN



HOW A CHURCH OUR SIZE CAN
REACH OUR GOAL OF \$650,000



LEVELS OF GIVING

1 GIFT AT \$150,000
1 GIFT AT \$75,000
2 GIFTS AT \$50,000

3 GIFTS AT \$36,000
4 GIFTS AT \$30,000
5 GIFTS AT \$15,000
10 GIFTS AT \$10,000

12 GIFTS AT \$7,200
15 GIFTS AT \$4,800
16 GIFTS AT \$3,600

TOTAL CAPITAL GIVING
OVER AND ABOVE
REGULAR GIVING
IS FOR 36 MONTHS
(MARCH 2026-MARCH 2029)

Impact Over Time

Total	Weekly	Monthly	Annually
\$150,000	\$962	\$4,167	\$50,000
\$75,000	\$481	\$2,083	\$25,000
\$50,000	\$321	\$1,389	\$16,667
\$36,000	\$231	\$1,000	\$12,000
\$30,000	\$192	\$833	\$10,000
\$15,000	\$96	\$417	\$5,000
\$10,000	\$64	\$278	\$3,333
\$7,200	\$46	\$200	\$2,400
\$4,800	\$31	\$133	\$1,600
\$3,600	\$23	\$100	\$1,200

NEXT STEPS

- If you have questions please contact Pastor Steve at steve@paloscommunity.church.
- Check out our website paloscommunity.church for more information.
- Pray and ask God to show you what to pledge over the next 36 months.
- Decide on your pledge amount.
- Fill out a pledge card and turn in by Pledge Sunday - March 15th or March 22nd.
- Celebrate with us on Palm Sunday when we announce our pledge total.
- Set up your plan for giving (set up recurring giving online or with your bank, etc).
- Start to give toward your pledge!



Be on the lookout for this card in the mail or pick one up at church.

Take time to PRAY about how GOD is calling you to GIVE GENEROUSLY to the Greater Than project.	
Name:	_____
Address:	_____ _____
Phone:	_____ Email _____
	
	

