

LOPC Capital Program — Phase 3

Dear Members & Friends of LOPC,

It is hard to imagine, but we are coming up to the final phase of our three-stage effort to renew and revitalize our campus for present and future generations. While the total amount and staging of our capital programs has remained pretty constant over the years, we have significantly adjusted our master plan in order to maintain fiscal responsibility and a reasonable scope to the programs.



Rev. Peter Whitelock

All along the way, a committed team of lay leaders have made needed adjustments and squeezed the maximum value out of every dime contributed by you to this work. We have now come to the third and final stage of our program, and the time is now to finish well what we started almost 10 years ago.

As we look at the church today, there are so many signs of life and hope. Our congregation is growing, especially with new families, youth and children. Our new member classes are filled with people who are finding a warm welcome in our inclusive community. There exists a stunning array of worship, programs and care ministries to build us all in faith, and the future is bright with promise. Our capital improvement programs, once fully realized through the successful completion of this third stage, will serve that growth and development for many years to come.

My request is that you prayerfully consider how God might lead you to support this effort, and join Anne and me in committing what God would have you offer in support of this work. We are so very blessed by the generous giving and acts of service so freely offered by this church family, and how exciting it is to be close to finishing off a grand vision for campus renewal.

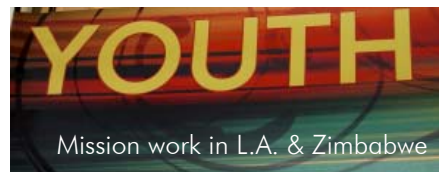
Blessings,

Peter Whitelock  
Senior Pastor / Head of Staff

LOPC is a vibrant, thriving and caring congregation that is bringing hope and renewal locally, nationally and globally through the grace and love of Jesus Christ.



Gulf Coast Relief



Ministry Center



Mama Jean,  
Mother of Peace  
Orphanage,  
Zimbabwe



Bev Fellows, LOPC Receptionist

The Ministry Center is where we prepare our hearts, minds and souls to serve others and share God's love with the world.



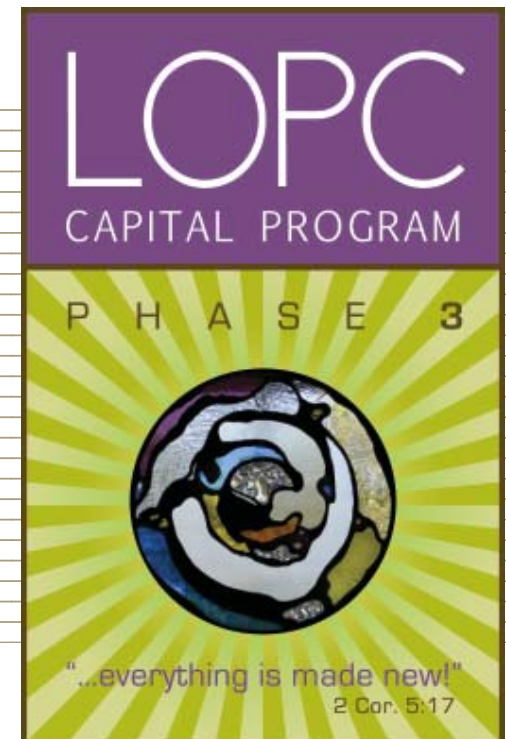
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LOPC Ministry Center

Our Goal

\$3 million in 3 years to complete what we started



LAFAYETTE-ORINDA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

"...everything is made new!" 2 Cor. 5:17

## Capital Program History

About six years ago, after many years of study and prayer, our Session voted to embark on an ambitious three-phase building program so our church could better meet the needs of the congregation and community, both today and in the future. From then until now, that three-phase program has continued as the overarching plan, guiding renewal of the campus.

Not surprisingly, given the complexity of the entire venture, some elements have been eliminated: Sanctuary narthex addition; Fellowship Hall expansion; covered and raised greeting pavilion; library expansion in the Chapel (moved instead to the Ministry Center).

Other elements have been added: an entirely new Ministry Center structure instead of converting the former Christian Education Building; a Worship Plaza and Labyrinth; new underground infrastructure (gas, water, electric).

The timing of still other elements has been adjusted to meet construction needs. Among other things, the Ministry Center moved from Phase 1 to Phase 2; updated heating and air conditioning in the Sanctuary moved from Phase 2 to Phase 1; reconstruction and relocation of Fellowship Hall restrooms from Phase 3 to Phase 1.

Now, the time is at hand to complete what we started:

- ▶ Pay down the balance of the construction loan remaining from building the Ministry Center.
- ▶ Renew the kitchen, part of Phase 3.
- ▶ Renew landscaping, part of Phase 3, specifically the outdoor gathering space behind Fellowship Hall, degraded in part by earlier construction work.

To do this, Session has approved a third capital program – **"...everything is made new!"** – to raise \$3 million. With this, the total cost of the campus renewal program will total approximately \$16 million – the cost originally estimated for all three phases.

This brochure and other information in this packet are designed to answer your questions and provide further information. You will be hearing more about the program in coming weeks.

**LOPC Mission Statement** — Alive! In Christ...In the World

**LOPC Vision Statement** — Our vision is an open and inclusive family of faith, loving God and one another, discovering our gifts and answering God's call to be Christ's faithful disciples in the world.

## Our Needs

### #1 Pay Off Construction Loan

Retirement of the remaining balance of the construction loan incurred in building the Ministry Center. LOPC supports a tremendous variety of ministries, and our operating budget sustains that work efficiently. Raising funds to pay down this construction loan will allow LOPC to continue its present trajectory of increasing our outreach, mission and service locally, nationally and globally.

Estimated cost: \$2.46 million

### #2 New & Enlarged Kitchen

Our present kitchen has been in disrepair for many years, with safety and maintenance concerns due to heavy use. Much of the existing equipment is antiquated and complicated to use and maintain. A dramatic redesign and modest expansion will increase our capacity to successfully and safely carry out a ministry of hospitality and fellowship.

Estimated cost: \$500,000

### #3 Outdoor Gathering Space

To make this space appealing to all ages, there needs to be adequate shade for the warmer months and a combination of artificial turf and pavers that can be used for a variety of outdoor activities.

Estimated cost: \$54,000

## Your Part

**"God is new and fresh every morning"** — Lamentations 3:23

Spend time with God, seeking His will for your participation in this new Capital Program.

Take time to look around at the faces of your friends at LOPC and ponder what this place means to you.

Also, take time to look at the new faces of LOPC and get excited about the relationships God will facilitate among new friends.

Please seek God's will for your participation through prayer. If God is really new and fresh every morning, then He is going to speak new and fresh words into your heart for this journey of faith.

## Our Future



One Sunday Mission Project



Vacation Bible School Camp



High School Youth Group

## What Can I Do?

### Pray Continually —

Seeking God's will is the foundation for "Everything is made new." Pray that God will enlighten the eyes of your heart to know the hope of God's calling.

### Get Involved —

See what is happening and what God is doing in our church. Learn everything you can about the ministries, the vision and our goals.

### Make Your Own Prayerful Pledge Decision —

Turn your prayers and faith into action. Make a giving decision that honors God and that is right for you.