



REFOCUS, RENEW AND REVITALIZE

Caring for Our Home

You wouldn't believe all of the activities that go on in this building every day of the week. Kids, adults, and everyone in between are bustling in and out of our church home.

This place is more than a building; it's where we study, share, and work together to serve the Lord. It's where people meet, get married, baptize their kids, and place their loved ones in the Lord's hands.

Much like our traditional homes, this home needs to be maintained and updated to serve our church family. The progress we've made over the decades has created what could be described as a river of ministry that never runs dry. Think back a few years or even decades for some of you. Imagine how many kids have grown up as disciples of Christ, how many activities have helped people in our community, or even how many people around the world our church family have impacted?

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It's hard to look forward until you look backward to realize what we've accomplished. Our stewardship appeal for 2017 includes investing \$10,000 into what we call "General Operations" of the congregation, including things like salaries, insurance and snow removal. Using the word "general" to describe everything that goes on in our church home, even behind the scenes, does not do it justice. During this interim period, we want to keep our ministries strong and growing to present a positive profile to pastors who may consider interviewing to serve here.

Let's commit together to provide the resources to revitalize our ministries. The goal of our Refocus, Renew and Revitalize stewardship appeal is to increase gifts and offerings by \$93,000 for three ministry initiatives. One initiative will be approximately \$10,000 invested in the general operations of the church. Pray for a generous response and please prayerfully consider increasing your gift for the coming year. With your help we'll not only say we care about our church home, we'll keep on investing in it.

Help turn this dream into a reality! You will soon receive a letter, brochure and intent card in the mail. Please plan to return your card on or before November 13. Thank you for your support.

We need to open our eyes and ears, to hear and see the places where God is calling us to strengthen our church. We need to open our hearts, to let God in, and to trust him to continue to guide us on our faith journeys here at Central.

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