



# Grace Church

Where all are welcomed and God's love boldly proclaimed

**Grace2020**  
*Renewing the Spirit of Grace*

## HOW YOU CAN HELP

Every gift of every size is important to the success of a major capital effort. The chart below shows the amount and number of gifts required to meet our capital campaign challenge goal of \$125,000.

Please consider a generous gift to support the capital campaign by completing the attached pledge form and returning it to the church office in the enclosed stamped envelope by **June 30, 2017**.

*Payments may be made over three years.  
 Every gift of every size is important and appreciated.*

Amount of Gift	Number of Gifts Needed	Cumulative Total	Total Monthly Payment Amount—Paid Over 3 Years
\$15,000	1	\$15,000	\$417.00
\$10,000	3	\$45,000	\$278.00
\$5,000	5	\$70,000	\$139.00
\$3,000	10	\$100,000	\$83,00
\$1,000	20	\$120,000	\$28.00
Less than \$1,000	Many	Goal Achieved	Variable



**+ Capital Campaign Challenge Goal \$125,000**

**Most Holy God,**

*We give you thanks for the life and ministry you give us in Jesus' name. With gratitude for the history and mission of Grace Episcopal Church, Syracuse, we pray that you would assist us to meet the goals you have set before us at this time; that we would be sustained in our call to do your work of worship and service in your name both within our parish and our ever-widening global community. All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.*



**Dear Friends,**

The **Grace2020** *Renewing the Spirit* of Grace capital campaign is about the people, mission, and ministry of Grace Episcopal Church. Established over 145 years ago, Grace Episcopal Church is a multicultural faith community with a long history of activism and social justice.

Despite recent renovations to the interior of our parish house, the exterior of our historic church buildings require care so that they may continue to serve the needs of our growing community. Through your generous, and courageous support, we will correct three major problems: deterioration of the stucco on our parish house, cracks in the foundation of our parish house which result in leaking in our food pantry, and structural faults of our tower which pose significant safety hazards. These repairs are necessary in order to preserve our buildings and ensure that they continue to enhance our mission and ministries.

In addition, money raised above the first \$55,000 will be used to respond as we are able to other very important parish needs. Primary parish needs identified during the discernment phase of our capital campaign which may be addressed include: renovations to our rectory, upgrading our parish house basement, improving our Welsh Garden, or refurbishing the entrances to our church.

Please give generously to the **Grace2020** *Renewing the Spirit* of Grace capital campaign. You will find a pledge card for our capital campaign attached to this brochure.

With continued thanksgiving for you and the ministry we share in Christ, I am

Yours in Christ,

*Johanna*<sup>+</sup>

The Rev. Johanna Marcure

**The Grace2020** *Renewing the Spirit of Grace* will supplement the funding of the correction of three major church structural deficiencies.

**Structural Deficiencies**

**FIRST**, the exterior masonry of our parish house suffers from extensive areas of cracked, missing stucco, and failed mortar joints. This condition must be corrected to eliminate further exterior deterioration and to protect the recently restored interior.

**SECOND**, the foundation of our parish house needs to be repaired and waterproofed. Basement leaking after heavy rains presently threatens the new food pantry space and inhibits the use of basement space for potential parish or community use.

**THIRD**, our tower suffers from budging outer walls and cracked buttresses. This condition poses a significant safety hazard to passersby should the tower collapse. It also poses a threat to the main part of the church since the tower and church are connected. It would presently cost Grace more to remove the tower than to repair it.

**FURTHERMORE**, removing the tower would significantly alter the historic integrity of a landmark building that is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and violate the state preservation covenant.

**Cost and Grants**

The cost of fixing these three major problems is approximately \$367,000. Fortunately, grants from the New York State Environmental Protection Fund, New York Landmark Conservancy, the Foundation of the Episcopal Diocese of Central New York, and the Bernice Gould Foundation will cover approximately \$311,500 of the cost (85%).

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**Capital Campaign Challenge \$125,000**

*Our capital campaign challenge goal is to be raised from parishioners and friends of Grace. Approximately one half of these funds will be used to cover the remaining mandated share of the New York State grant.*



The remainder will be used to correct major structural deficiencies in the rectory, renovation of the interior church basement space, development of a master plan of the Welsh Garden or refurbishment of the church entrances.

*Decisions on the best use of these remainder funds will be made when the exterior masonry project has been completed.*

**Pledge Card: Grace2020** *Renewing the Spirit of Grace*

With gratitude to God I/we offer my/our pledge to the **Grace2020** *Renewing the Spirit of Grace* Capital Campaign:

Amount pledged: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Amount enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Balance: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 To be paid over a period of: 1 2 3 years.  
(circle one)  
 Beginning: \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_

To be given:  monthly  semi-annually  
 quarterly  annually  
 one time donation

*All gifts are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*You may also want to consider making a planned gift, such as a gift of appreciated stock, a bequest in your will, gift of life insurance, or a charitable trust. To receive more information on planned giving, please check this box:*