As a congregation, we will raise $5 Million in the coming months, in order to fund Phase I implementation of the Building Master Plan.

The goal of this Campaign is to give our Church the necessary upgrades and critical renovations that will honor Nassau Presbyterian Church’s history and create a legacy for future generations.

$5 Million We need YOUR help!

The engraving on the front cover and this page is the sanctuary from 1879.
WARM & INCLUSIVE WELCOME
(Approximately $1,285,000)

• Renovation of downstairs multi-purpose room, including space devoted to Crisis Ministry

• Upgraded restrooms on the main and lower levels

• Redesign and refurbishment of assembly room space

• Inviting reception space for Church visitors

WORSHIP
(Approximately $1,185,000)

• A more spacious and functional narthex

• Renovated rear gallery

• Restoration and reconfiguration of the pews

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES
(Approximately $1,600,000)

• Expansion of third floor space

• Elevator installation for accessibility

• New expanded, dedicated nursery space

MISSION & OUTREACH

• We seek to honor the historic commitment to mission and outreach at Nassau Presbyterian Church.

• The Session has boldly committed to tithing through the Campaign for Nassau Church.

• We will pledge 10% of all funds raised to support our established mission partnerships.
Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

It is a privilege for me to share these plans with you about the Campaign for Nassau Church. For many generations God has blessed Nassau Presbyterian Church with the incredible opportunity of proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ in word and deed here in the heart of a university town. Now is the time for us to ensure that this ministry will flourish in the generations yet to come. By God’s grace, the community of worship, discipleship, and service nested here expands far beyond the walls through the witness of our lives. You and I have a responsibility to the future of that witness.

Please consider participating in the Campaign for Nassau Church. Support is coming from leaders of many different ages who are engaged in various aspects of the breadth of our ministry. Together, with our contributions of every size, we can all take part in passing on a thriving congregation to those who will come after us. Will you join me in claiming our spot in the great cloud of witnesses that forms the legacy of Nassau Presbyterian Church?

With grace and peace,

David A. Davis

God’s Spirit is pouring out! You and I, we have everything we need to faithfully and abundantly carry out the mission of God in this place right now, and to ensure that a living witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ will thrive here for generations yet to come.

David A. Davis, sermon on February 19, 2012
Our History
The architectural footprint of the place we know today as 61 Nassau Street rests on the site of 246 years of continuous witness to faith in Jesus Christ through worship, formal and informal, and ministry.

However, many do not know that the original 1766 building burned down or that the church on this site during the Revolutionary War was occupied by both British and American soldiers. The pews and galleries were stripped for firewood and burned in a makeshift fireplace inside the sanctuary. After the war, the devastated building was restored in 1784, but again burned to the ground in 1813.

The original portion of the present building was dedicated in 1836 and various renovations of this structure have occurred over time. Most recently, in 1987-88, there was a renovation of the Palmer Square building and the addition of the office wing. In the 25 years since the last upgrades, only emergency repairs and superficial cosmetic work, painting, and carpeting have been done.

The Building Master Plan
The Building Master Plan, completed in 2011, has been shaped by two convergent interests: first, investment in our building, long overdue, is now imperative to insure its continuing health. Second, as we heed all of the conversations about the work and mission of the congregation here in Princeton and in the wider community, we know some additions and changes to our building are necessary.

The Design/Build Committee is working with the Building Master Plan to prioritize improvements and changes to the building, as we work to discern what Nassau Church is and does, and what it can and should aspire to be and do.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.
1 Corinthians 12: 27

Sustainability in Design and Construction
As we implement the Building Master Plan, the design and construction team is committed to the principle of sustainability. We will work to attain energy and water savings through systems, equipment and material selection.

As the design progresses, Mills+Schnoering will use the US Green Building Council’s LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) checklist as a guide to possible strategies.

A sampling of design features that will be used wherever possible:
• Wheatboard or other composite bioproduct for any millwork.
• PaperStone or other sustainable composite counter tops or toilet partitions.
• Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) certified wood indicating that it has been grown, harvested and manufactured in a sustainable fashion.
• Adding insulation at the building perimeter where possible.
• Variable lighting levels that adjust to the available daylight and occupancy sensors that control lighting.
• Existing HVAC, IT and Electrical systems will be upgraded for efficiency and the latest technologies.
• LED light fixtures which are both long lasting and have low energy use.
• Carpet that has recycled content and/or can be recycled and low volatile organic compounds (VOC) adhesive.
• Low VOC paints and low VOC adhesives in the wood products for the millwork.
MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM The renovation of the multi-purpose room will include “turn-key” office space devoted to Crisis Ministry, as well as flexible space for Sunday School classes and meetings. This project will triple the space available for the great work of Crisis Ministry and will include a dignified waiting area, replacing the current cramped hallways where clients now wait to be served.

NEW RESTROOMS The existing restrooms, dating back to the 1930's, will be replaced with upgraded facilities, equipped with the latest water and power saving technologies. Inclusion of a family restroom will more appropriately meet the needs of our congregation.

NEW EXPANDED NURSERY SPACE A larger, brighter room for the youngest members of our congregation will be located adjacent to other preschool classrooms.
NARTHEX The current narthex will be expanded to allow for a more warm and inclusive welcome space and an improved view into the Sanctuary.

HISTORIC PEWS Each pew will be carefully restored, eliminating the middle barrier and ensuring a more ergonomically sound design. The spacing of the pews will be carefully adjusted, to allow for more comfortable seating.

RECEPTION AND OFFICE SPACE The redesign of the current office space will make Church visitors feel welcome and offer them an inviting space to wait for their appointment or meeting. This renovation will also allow for a more efficient workspace for NPC staff.

RESTROOMS The restrooms will be overhauled to increase capacity and will also include a family restroom.
REAR GALLERY  The current choir loft will be redesigned and expanded, including an adjustment to the angle of the floor which will address a long-standing safety issue and provide easier circulation from one side of the balcony to the other. The historic curve of the balcony will also be restored.

SECOND FLOOR OFFICES  New and refurbished space will allow the Youth, Children and Family, Adult Education, and Music Ministry offices to be consolidated. Along with renovation of the main floor offices, this will bring all pastoral, program, and administrative staff together in two office suites rather than scattered throughout the building.
THIRD FLOOR EXPANSION The current third floor will be expanded to increase square footage and to allow for more flexible space, to be used for Sunday School, youth group, fellowship and various programs.

RESTROOMS The addition of restrooms to the third floor will improve utilization of the space for a variety of programs.

ELEVATOR An elevator will be installed to make the third floor fully accessible and usable for programs for all ages.
The Campaign for Nassau Church

It is now our generation's turn to lay claim to who God is calling us to be, reshape the building to reflect that call, and create the best possible legacy for generations to come.

The current estimate of the cost of all of the improvements and preservations in our Master Plan is $9 million in today's dollars. Money raised from this Campaign will address the most pressing of our needs which will place equal emphasis on Warm & Inclusive Welcome; Worship Space; and Children and Youth Ministries. Additionally, 10% of campaign monies raised will be dedicated to mission and outreach spending.
Please join us as our congregation takes on the challenge and opportunity of setting the stage for future generations who will worship, learn, create fellowship, and serve in this place as generations have before us. We are blessed with an historic church and a vibrant, living congregation, and our work together will be a powerful witness to God’s continued faithfulness and presence among us.

Donations to Nassau Presbyterian Church are tax-deductible and may be made in the following ways:

**Cash:** Cash given over a multi-year pledge is the most common and popular way of giving. You may find that you will be able to increase the size of your gift if you extend payments over the full 3 to 5 year pledge period as shown in the table below.

**Matching Gifts:** If you, or your spouse, are affiliated with a company with a matching gift program, you may double the impact of your gift. Please investigate this opportunity with your employer or contact Nassau Church for more information.

**Securities:** Gifts of appreciated securities are accepted as Campaign gifts and NPC can provide details for the transfer.

The following chart may be helpful as you explore your family’s commitment to the Campaign for Nassau Church

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To make a Campaign commitment, please complete the enclosed pledge card and return it to Nassau Presbyterian Church. For more information, please contact Linda Gilmore, 609-924-0103 x 134 or linda@nassauchurch.org.
Thank you for your support of the Campaign for Nassau Church

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