



## St. Matthew Episcopal Church – Browns Pt., WA “Invest in the Promise” Capital Campaign

Spring 2017

*To be Christ to the world, just as Jesus was Christ  
to those he encountered in his earthly ministry.  
This is what it means to be the Body of Christ.*

St. Matthew Episcopal Church has a wonderful history of ministry in our neighborhood. Over the years, our church has always been a warm, caring and engaging place for authentic worship, fellowship, Christian education, service to the community, and spiritual growth. Our church family is eager for ministry. As we anticipate the next chapter in the life of our parish, the time is right for us to imagine how we will provide for ministry and service for the years to come.

We are thankful for the dedication of our parishioners over the years, which has provided us with the spaces we currently use. Now, in order to continue our calling as God’s people – to truly realize God’s dream for us – St. Matthew’s seeks to strengthen its foundation for ministry by caring for our facilities and paying off our existing mortgage debt. Our proposed projects will support:

### **Congregational Strength**

- Expand our capacity for ministry program opportunities by freeing up financial resources that are currently being used to pay off our mortgage
- Ensure a stable financial future for the ministry of St. Matthew Episcopal Church
- Positively position ourselves for the next chapter of service in the life of our congregation

### **Serviceability and Stewardship of our Facilities**

- Replace our roof which is failing
- Repave and restripe our parking lot for better access
- Protect and preserve the investment we have in our facilities with proactive management

### **Living Our Mission**

- Provide a vibrant and welcoming church home – both in terms of facilities and finances – for those who are here now, and those who will come
- Extend the reach of God’s love through our congregation’s ministries to do the work God has entrusted us to do, realizing Christ’s vision for us