January 18, 2013

Dear Friends & Families of Redeemer Lutheran Church & School,

Redeemer kicked off our "Crossing the Bridge to the Future...Together" capital stewardship campaign on January 20. Preparations for this exciting campaign have been going on for several weeks behind the scenes, and we greatly anticipated its kickoff.

A capital campaign is a unique fund drive done by churches and schools to take care of long-term assets such as building projects and renovations. It has been almost 30 years since Redeemer has done one of these necessary projects and a quick walk around the facilities of the church and school will reveal that time and use has taken its toll. Though our facilities are beautiful and serve special purposes in our community, they are in need of repair, and in some cases, replacement. As you will discover in the enclosed newsletter, this campaign is designed to serve three major purposes: capital improvements, mortgage reduction, and mission outreach programs.

The enclosed newsletter introduces the "Crossing the Bridge to the Future...Together" program and gives you some important dates to mark on your calendar.

One of the unique parts of the "Crossing the Bridge to the Future...Together" campaign is the 90 Days of Prayer booklet. This booklet contains a very short prayer for each day of the campaign beginning on the first day, January 21. Each prayer was written by different people, including each class of our school. Using this prayer booklet together as a family is a great opportunity for your family to grow together spiritually. If you would like a copy or an electronic copy, please request one from Kristen Cruz in the church office at kcruz@redeemerstuart.com.

You will begin to hear more about "Crossing the Bridge to the Future...Together" in the days ahead. I hope you will join me in this important effort.

In Christ's Love & Service,

Pastor Brian Gauthier

