

Resurrection Lutheran Church



"For every house is built by someone, but God is the builder of everything."

(Hebrews 3:4 NIV)

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Thirty Years of Countless Blessings!

Thirty years ago, people had a vision to be a family of faith empowered by God to proclaim Jesus Christ. Today we are a vibrant congregation that continues to build on that faith, vision, and action. Our membership has grown. Our members and friends are generous with their gifts of time, talent, and financial support. Today, we have a beautiful church in a prime location. God has provided us with opportunities for learning and fellowship, energy for outreach, and dedicated pastoral and lay leadership to help us do His work here in Scottsdale and beyond.

Build One, Reach One is a celebration of the future. In January, we celebrated our past and thanked God for our many blessings. Now, as we begin this new venture, it's time to celebrate our future and what God calls us to become. Our vision is big, and it is exciting, and it is somewhat daunting. God has asked us to pray boldly for and about this vision. The vision includes a multi-purpose building that can be used for many and varied events and purposes both for the RLC community and for the neighboring community at large. It is called the **Community Connection Center**.



These are exciting times for Resurrection. We have the opportunity to make a difference in this community for Jesus Christ by touching lives that might not otherwise be touched. The possibilities for our **Community Connection Center** are endless. Some examples include creating a safe after-school place for youth, caring for the elderly, providing space for RLC activities, and hosting conferences and concerts. The **Community Connection Center** will provide a place where all of our neighbors will encounter solid Christian men and women sharing Christian values. We ask you to pray boldly that God will bless us in this campaign. Pray boldly that God touches the hearts of those who have the resources to make this vision happen.

We believe that generosity is a spiritual issue. God does not need our money. We say in the Creed that we believe God is the "maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen." God does not need our money because everything already belongs to God. So why give to ***Build One, Reach One***? Imagine a capital stewardship program as an exciting spiritual journey. That's the difference between fundraising and stewardship. Fundraising asks, "How do we get people to give money to our project?" Stewardship's focus is on the one who provides it. Stewardship asks, "What is God's will for our church and ourselves personally?"

Come Join the Adventure!

Build One, Reach One Needs Your Participation



The goal for our program is \$4,000,000. We will reach this goal from fulfilled commitments, gifts, and contributions over a three-year period. Your involvement is key to our success.

How do we put our faith into action?

God has blessed each of us with different financial resources. ***Build One, Reach One*** does not call for equal gifts; rather it calls to equal sacrifice—to give “as we have been blessed.” *Equal sacrifice equals \$4,000,000.*

This invitation is to be creative as you plan your giving. Many will give annually, monthly, or weekly. Others will make one-time gifts from stock, cash, savings, IRAs, insurance policies, or bequests. It is suggested that you discuss such creative gifts with your financial planner or attorney.

What will your gift be?

You are asked to make this gift over and above your regular giving so that our ongoing ministry will continue and grow as we fulfill our Gospel imperative. However, it’s important to remember that ***Build One, Reach One*** will enable us to move forward and expand our ministry. Please refer to the Giving Chart as you prayerfully consider your gift.

Faith versus Fear

We’re often reminded that God’s timing is not our own. Life has always had its uncertainties; however, the Gospel calls us to faith, never to fear. The bravest people on earth have often commented that bravery is not the absence of fear—it is acting in spite of it.

***"So do not worry saying, what shall we eat or what shall we wear....
But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness and all these
things will be given to you as well."***

(Matthew 6:31, 33)

Success on September 25, 2011

Resurrection members and friends will be invited to complete a commitment card at worship on Commitment Sunday, September 25, 2011. Between now and then, please turn to God often for guidance as you decide what your gift will be.

A Giving Chart to Guide Our Way and Our Future

Our goal of \$4,000,000 is certainly a challenge—but by giving together, we can reach it. One way we will accomplish our vision over the three-year program is if we receive a combination of:

A Gift Range Chart for Resurrection Lutheran Church	
1 commitment of \$450,000 (\$150,000 per year)	20 commitments of \$15,600 (\$100.00 per week)
2 commitments of \$300,000 (\$100,000 per year)	20 commitments of \$9,360 (\$60.00 per week)
2 commitments of \$225,000 (\$75,000 per year)	20 commitments of \$7,800 (\$50.00 per week)
5 commitments of \$135,000 (\$45,000 per year)	30 commitments of \$6,240 (\$40.00 per week)
6 commitments of \$90,000 (\$30,000 per year)	30 commitments of \$4,680 (30.00 per week)
10 commitments of \$45,000 (\$15,000 per year)	30 commitments of \$3,120 (\$20.00 per week)
Many gifts of less than \$20.00 per week	

