

Our Capital Campaign:

- Established goal of \$580,000
- Prioritized projects to renovate our church home:
 - Making significant fire safety improvements
 - Evaluating and improving electric systems
 - Restoring 100-year-old sanctuary windows
 - Repairing crumbling concrete steps, walls, and rear patio structuring
 - Remediating inadequate handicapped accessibility
 - Refinishing worn kitchen interiors, including walls and cabinets
 - Improving the Chapel for fellowship and community gatherings
- Convened more than a dozen dedicated church members to help raise funds
- Received pre-campaign, “pace-setting” pledges totaling \$215,000



Five Percent of Campaign Proceeds Will Go to Local Mission Outreach:

- **More Light:** Judah Fellowship, judahfellowship.org
- **Earth Care:** Clean Air Council, cleanair.org
- **Charity:** Wilkinsburg Community Ministry, wcm15221.org
- **Social Justice:** Pittsburgh United, pittsburghunited.org

For More Information about the Capital Campaign:

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No Turning Back
Capital Campaign for
Sixth Presbyterian Church
2018

Our Unique History:

- 1850 – Sixth is founded
- 1970-1980s – A community forms with a heart for social justice
- 1997 – Sixth becomes the first More Light Church in the Pittsburgh Presbytery, affirming members of the LGBTQIA community
- Late 1990s – Church holds well-attended lectures by noted theologians on Christian faith
- 2000 to Present – Pastoral and staff transitions build congregational leadership; excellence in preaching, music and education support a renewed spiritual life
- 2018 – Sixth launches the largest campaign in its history to preserve and revitalize our church home

We are an open and affirming community of faith in Jesus Christ. At home in an urban neighborhood of many faiths, we acknowledge that we are not alone on the path to understanding God. In worship, study, and fellowship, we celebrate our Presbyterian roots and find joy in our diversity. We strive for the grace to love one another as we seek deeper understanding of life in the Spirit, working for justice and serving as stewards of God's wondrous creation.

Our Thriving Congregation:

- 21 Baptisms, 47 new members, and 10 new families since 2014
- 28 children in the nursery, Sunday School, and Extended Session
- 30 choir members
- 75 Deacon visits each year
- Increase in pledges from 83 in 2015 to 108 in 2018
- Vibrant ministry during worship and outside our church walls

Our Growing Mission Outreach:

- Earth Care – collect many hard-to-recycle items and convene community members for environmental-educational events.
- Social Justice – support campaigns for water/sewer ratepayer justice, improved police/community relations, immigrant protection, affordable housing and living wages through our work with the Pennsylvania Interfaith Impact Network.
- More Light – participate in pride-oriented and LGBTQIA-advocacy events and known throughout the city for affirmation of full LGBTQIA inclusion.
- Benevolence – provide volunteer and financial support services for the Presbytery's Lazarus Fund, which gives small emergency grants to help people stay in their homes. Our Church & Community Committee provides about \$20,000 annually to a range of local, state, and national groups engaged in charity and advocacy.

