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With the remainder of the fund outside of restricted corpus, we have an opportunity to look at ways in which we can continue to invest in the future of this vibrant community of believers by looking again at the ways the legacy of Faith Lutheran Church can grow in its evangelism. Here are just a few ideas:

- Upgrading our ability to communicate in this new era of internet connectivity will bring new members to Faith.
- Supporting the efforts of our youth will ensure that the last 60 years of growth in this church can continue and flourish.
- Scholarships for religious higher education and religious continuing education will support that initiative as well.
- Advanced Pastoral training and education.

Those are just a few considerations. The church Council and Endowment Committee are open to your ideas above and beyond the operating budget. Knowing what has come before encourages us that anything is possible in the future. As we have been blessed by those before us, we can continue to bless those who will follow.

So now that you know a bit more about the Endowment program, we invite you to participate, first by learning about the different ways and means you might have to help ensure the legacy of our church, and your personal legacy for God's work.

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*Leading people to Christ*



## ENDOWMENT FUND

Ensuring Faith's Future to Accomplish God's Work

**Where we've been.  
How did we get here?  
Where do we go now?**



***Include the work of Faith Lutheran as part of your life's legacy. Look inside to see where we've been and where we're going in our church's work for Christ.***

*"As each has received a gift, employ it for another, as good stewards of God's varied grace whoever renders it by the strength which God supplies, in order that in everything God may be glorified." (1 Peter 1:10-11)*

Consider where we've been and how we've grown. How did that happen? By faithful servants of Christ, just like you, investing in the future of our church.

The Faith Lutheran Church Endowment fund helps ensure that the last 60-plus years of growth in this church can continue and flourish, and perhaps in ways and means that none of us ever imagined, or in ways that many of us would like to see.

The Faith Lutheran Church Endowment is comprised of unrestricted gifts and bequests **held separately from the operating budget and other funds** of Faith Lutheran Church.

The fund for our Endowment was established in 1984 with a check for \$1,000 and has grown substantially over the years.

**The goal** of the fund is to enhance the work of the church by establishing opportunities that are additional to and apart from the general operation of the church. But the Endowment program is only as strong and productive as your participation. As we have been blessed by those before us to have what we know and enjoy today as Faith Lutheran Church, through a worthy Endowment program, we can continue to bless those who will follow us.

*Learn more*

If you're considering participation in our church's long-term effort to establish new ministries, missions, and stewardship opportunities, additional to and apart from the general operation of the church, we have a team that is available to help. The **Faith Lutheran Endowment Committee** is up and running and ready to assist you with your bequest, estate, insurance, securities or other marketable assets that you want to donate to the Faith Endowment Fund.

This is an opportunity for you to establish a legacy gift to the long-term growth of Faith Lutheran; i.e. to be perpetual and perpetuating for future generations of Faith Lutheran Church and dedicated to the Glory of Almighty God.

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## Physical Growth

1973-74	Leave Menaul/Arizona. Relocate to 10000 Spain
1975	Physical plant includes Sanctuary (Now the Fellowship Hall), Gym and Education Wing
1990	Present Sanctuary, Centrum, Offices
2001	School opens
2004	17,000 Sq Ft added: New wing -- Two stories with Classrooms, Counseling Offices, Youth Ministry Offices, Ground Floor Worship Space
2004	Decision: Leave ELCA and Join LCMC
2009	Faith West opens doors
2014	Faith West becomes Eagle Ranch
2018	Eagle Ranch becomes an independent congregation

## Spiritual Growth

1973-74	Senior Pastor: Russell Lee
1998	Bruce Wilder accepts the call as Senior Pastor
1999	Luther Mathsen and Lester Spies are added to the Pastoral staff
2002	Lester Spies accepts Pastorate in Wisconsin
2004	Luther Mathsen accepts Pastorate in Minnesota and Mike Easton accepts the call as permanent staff member, later elevated to Associate Pastor
2009	David Breidenbach accepts the call as Pastor the new Faith West church
2010	Jerry Watts accepts the call as Associate Pastor to head Children and Family ministry
2012	Carol Clark accepts the call as Associate Pastor
2018	Pastor Mike Easton announces his retirement and Jerry Watts is voted to be the next Senior Pastor in line of succession beginning in 2022