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*"FOLLOWING THE VISION"*  
**CAPITAL FUND CAMPAIGN**  
**SPECIAL EDITION NEWSLETTER II**

Dear Johns Island Presbyterian Friends and Family:

We find ourselves in the midst of a rapidly developing and growing community. From our beginning in 1710, the many generations of Christians who make up Johns Island Presbyterian Church have been stewards of the gospel of Jesus Christ as they responded to many of the challenges of an ever-changing world around them. Their stewardship has been a journey focused on sustaining a rich Christian heritage that has endured for nearly 300 years! Today, we are the richly blessed inheritors of their faith and their vision. As was the case with past generations, we clearly understand, together, we are continuing that sustaining journey. The day will come when Christians who follow after us, will count themselves blessed inheritors of our faith, and our vision.

We have learned, through our comprehensive *RE-VISION* findings, we stand on the threshold of God's calling us together, in faith, to expand our ministries, not only reach our congregation but reach out to our community with the good news of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

God has blessed us in so many ways, and the greatest of His gifts, is our redemption through Our Lord Jesus Christ. We as people of God and followers of Jesus Christ will need to join-in our generous support in sustaining the journey...we are not the final destination of Johns Island Presbyterian Church. We are links in a chain that joins the faithfulness of the past to the faithful of tomorrow. By *"FOLLOWING THE VISION"* we can make a lasting statement of our deep faith for future generations. Read on to learn more about the journey.

Johns Island Presbyterian Church has stood, and will continue, to stand the test of time. The time has arrived for us to fulfill our journey of faith.

Peace, and the love of Christ,

*Jon Van Deventer*, Pastor

# SUSTAINING IS A JOURNEY NOT A DESTINATION

## OUR JOURNEY, TO SUSTAIN JIPC MINISTRIES AND RESPOND TO THE GROWTH OF OUR COMMUNITY:

- **WE CAN**: Increase our outreach programs...to our community;
- **WE CAN**: Diversify our congregation...need to attract young singles and young families;
- **WE CAN**: Emphasize Spiritual Development/Christian Education; first step, we have established the JIPC Center for Christian Studies;
- **WE CAN**: Provide resources and facilities to accomplish our initiatives.



*"FOLLOWING THE VISION"*

Our Capital Fund Campaign logo embodies the historic window between the Sanctuary entry doors. It characterizes our year-long **RE-VISION** journey, where looked at ourselves and our community.

**The palmetto**: "the kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his field. Though it is the smallest of all seeds, yet when it grows, it is the largest of garden plants and becomes a tree..." Mathew 13:31-32

**The cross**: our love and our faith in Jesus Christ our Lord, our redeemer and our salvation.

**Our Motto**: "*FOLLOWING THE VISION*" expresses one of our four journey initiatives: "provide resources and facilities to accomplish our initiatives"; the "centerpiece" for our Capital Fund Campaign.

## WHY DO WE NEED RESTORATIONS AND REPAIRS TO THE SANCTUARY and ANNEX?

While our historic sanctuary was built in 1710, remodeled in 1929; the Annex was not added until 1935.

Electricity was first added to the entire structure in 1939; the system is fragile and hazardous.

Our balcony access does not meet fire and safety standards.

Columns supporting the balcony areas are not secured to the building's foundation.

Annex windows and frames have suffered severe weather and water intrusion and damages causing extensive structural damage and decay.

## WHY DO WE NEED A MULTI-PURPOSE FELLOWSHIP BUILDING?

Our current Fellowship Hall is completely inadequate to support current and future JIPC ministries.

A Multi-Purpose Fellowship Building will greatly improve our visibility in the community and enable us to provide and expand faith-based programs and activities.

A Multi-Purpose Fellowship Building will greatly enhance our ability to attract young people and families.

## VISIT OUR WEB SITE

The web site for Johns Island Presbyterian Church is located at [www.jipc.org](http://www.jipc.org).

On the site you can find various materials in support of the "FOLLOWING THE VISION" activities.

There you will find an on-line video, documents, as well as sketches and drawings of the proposed Sanctuary and Annex restorations and repairs; likewise, For the proposed Multi-Purpose Fellowship Building.

When you "click" on the drawings they will be opened to a PDF viewer application, like Adobe Acrobat Reader. In the reader you can use the "+" and "-" buttons on the toolbar to zoom in and out of the drawings to view them in great detail.

If you have any difficulty viewing the drawings you may want to try "downloading" the latest version of Adobe Acrobat Reader using the line at the bottom of the screen page.

E-mail Winston Sewell with questions:  
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## HAVE QUESTIONS?

Please contact our Campaign Co-Leaders:

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## ALL-CHURCH EVENT

On Sunday, July 27<sup>th</sup> we will have a "FOLLOWING THE VISION" All-Church Event.

Attendees will present Commitment Cards for the capital fund campaign.

On Sunday, July 27<sup>th</sup>, we will conduct one service at 10:00 am. Communion will be served as part of the service.

Following the service a luncheon will be served featuring Frogmore stew.

## LEADERSHIP ROSTER

### Administration

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## **HOW TO CONTRIBUTE**

**You will be provided with a Commitment Card and Giving Guide. We ask you to complete the Commitment Card and return it in the provided, pre-addressed "FOLLOWING THE VISION" envelope.**

**Contribution payments may be made in the form of cash, real property, stocks, bonds, or life insurance. If the payment is other than cash, we are ready to assist you; for detailed instructions please contact John Feldman at 768-9262, or E-mail: [jrfeld2@bellsouth.net](mailto:jrfeld2@bellsouth.net).**

**You may wish to consider consulting your financial and/or legal advisor(s) regarding which option may be best for your particular giving situation.**

**Please note the Johns Island Presbyterian Church is tax-exempt under the provisions of 501 (c) (3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code. All gifts are tax deductible to the extent allowed under current tax laws.**

**Should you have any questions, and/or need for additional information, please contact Peter Hubbard at 768-4695 or E-mail: [peterhubbard@yahoo.com](mailto:peterhubbard@yahoo.com).**

**Your contribution is an expression of your supporting the journey to sustain Johns Island Presbyterian Church:**

- **The amount of your contribution is your decision alone.**
- **Amounts contributed should be in addition to your regular offertory contributions, which are essential to the day-to-day operations of Johns Island Presbyterian Church.**
- **Contribution checks should be made payable to: *JIPC Capital Fund*.**