

# St. Thomas Anglican Church - Capital Projects Fundraising Campaign

## Our Mission

St. Thomas Anglican Church celebrates 152 years of Ministry. Our Mission is to be a Christian home that:

- ☪ Welcomes, encourages and inspires **All People**
- ☪ Offers a community built on unconditional love and understanding
- ☪ Nurtures our members so they may carry the Light of Christ into the world
- ☪ Aspires to be "Today's Church for Tomorrow's World"



## Who We Are Today

In addition to our weekly services, St. Thomas offers ministry to the broader Stittsville community and beyond through programs such as:

- Outreach projects that support local food banks, community kitchens, shelters, hospices, and refugee programs
- Open Table, which serves over 800 meals each year
- Providing a meeting space for community groups, learning and worship



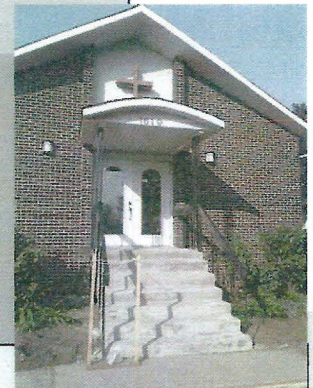
## Our History

The original church was erected in 1886, and remained the home of our community until 1964, when a lightning storm struck the church causing irreparable damage to the building. The gracious support of friends and neighbors allowed St. Thomas to remain a vibrant community; rebuilding at the current location and re-opening to the community in April 1969.

By June 1989, the growth of the parish and the larger Stittsville community necessitated the building of a new and larger church building, which was completed in December 1990. Now, as we approach 30 years in our new home, we seek to renew and enhance our church to continue our Ministry.

## The Capital Campaign

At Vestry 2018, the Capital Campaign was approved to raise funds for major repairs and renovation projects. The targets of the campaign include repair or replacement of priority items such as the Main Street stairs, accessibility ramp and steps at the front entrance, basement stairs from the parking lot, and the elevator. Other renovations may include interior furnishings (carpets, seating, etc.) and other facilities (kitchen, nursery, God's Garden), to be determined by the Capital Campaign Committee in order of priority.



## Phase 1: Personal Safety and Accessibility

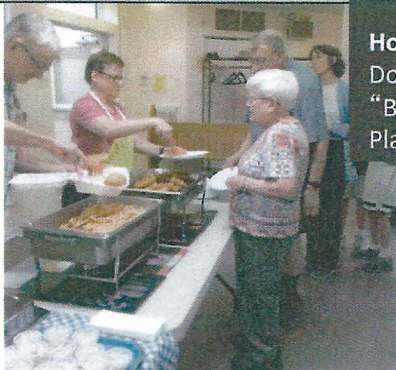
The Capital Campaign has adopted a phased approach. Phase 1 of the campaign will focus on "Safety and Accessibility", and the essential requirement to provide a facility that is safe and accessible to everyone. Having safe and secure entrances and a functioning elevator is critical to fulfilling our ministry today and in the future. We are called to act now, to preserve our ability to welcome and serve the community.

### "Buy-A-Step" Program

The first project to be completed in Phase 1 is the replacement of the crumbling Main Street stairs, at a cost of \$9000. We are asking for your support to "Buy-a-Step" for \$100 each to help meet this goal, but any donation is appreciated. All donations will go towards this project until it is fully funded, and regular progress updates will be provided.

## How-to Donate

Donations may be accepted during regular offertory, or at the church office. Please indicate "Buy-a-Step" or "Capital Campaign" on the envelope. For e-transfers, or if you are considering Planned Gifts, please contact the church office for more information.



# Thank you for your support!

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