



*Let no debt remain,
except the debt to love one another.*
ROMANS 13:8

THE GOALS OF THIS CAPITAL CAMPAIGN:

- Free us from past debt
- Free up resources to enable our church to expand and enhance our youth and children's programs, ministries, missions, worship and more.

WHAT

This capital campaign is called Freedom for the Future. Its goal is to free us from our debt in order to free our resources. We are seeking to raise funds to eliminate our past building debt on the Worship Center, pay off disaffiliation costs and replace our current air conditioning system for the Worship Center.

WHY AND WHY NOW

Eliminating our debt will free our resources to expand the ministries of our church. Another key element to our why is our why now — our air conditioning system in the Worship Center will not last much longer and funds are needed soon for its replacement. Our loans are approaching an adjustment period in February 2027 at which point our interest rates will be reevaluated and likely to be adjusted at a higher rate.

We will also be celebrating our 60th anniversary as a church in the summer of 2024. This anniversary presents a wonderful opportunity to reflect on our past, assess our present and look forward to our future.

WHO

This campaign is for YOU. As a member of the Friendswood Methodist congregation, this is a campaign we are all going through together.

WHEN

Be sure to mark your calendar for several key dates:

Kickoff Sunday — March 31 — Easter Sunday and the introduction to our six-week Freedom for the Future campaign. Rev. Jim Bass will share the vision of growth for our church.

21 Days of Prayer — April 1-22 — After receiving Prayer Guides on Easter Sunday, we will enter into 21 days of prayer over the campaign. We will also continue praying for this campaign in small groups.

Commitment Sunday — May 5 — As a congregation, we will turn in our commitment cards for the campaign and pray about our progress moving forward.

Celebration Sunday — May 12 — We will celebrate together as a church by announcing the total amount committed to the campaign. This is a time of celebration as we anticipate the bright future ahead.

First Fruits Sunday — May 19 — May 19 is Pentecost Sunday. Pentecost is a celebration of 50 days after Easter when the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles. It also commemorates the Feast of First Fruits when Israelites would give thanksgiving to God for the first fruits of the harvest. On this Sunday, we'll be collecting the first fruits of our capital campaign — our most abundant gifts we can offer.

WHERE

Most of our events will take place on campus at Friendswood Methodist Church. We will also have opportunities for everyone to learn more in small group information sessions either at the church or in homes depending on your preference.

**MORE INFORMATION AND MATERIALS WILL BE COMING SOON.
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