

Bread of Life
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John 6:35: *Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.”*

Last week, many of us had the opportunity to participate in a unique and wonderful prayer vigil. It was a prayer journey that led participants from the original site of Unity Presbyterian Church and to three other sites of our church. Participants also visited multiple locations within the current facilities, learning about when the sections were built and how they have been used across the generations.

The scripture listed above from John 6:35 was read at the first and the last scenes of the journey. At these two sites, guides held a wooden bowl filled with corn meal. This corn meal is a reminder of the grist mill that was used to grind corn and wheat in the late 1700’s and early 1800’s. These crops helped to sustain life in what became known as Fort Mill. But more importantly, the corn meal is a reminder that Jesus is our bread of life. That Jesus is *The* sustainer of eternal life.

On May 6, the Capital Campaign team will be holding a Leadership Commitment Dinner. This dinner is the first opportunity for members to make a financial commitment to the Sanctuary Capital Campaign. Dan and the Steering Committee are asking all leaders of our church to plan to attend and to *lead the way with the first commitments*. All current and former elders and deacons are invited to the dinner. We also invite any other members who want to be included in the early commitments to come and be a leader through your early commitment. The dinner will be held in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30 pm. We request reservations for the dinner by May 1 via the yellow pew card, a link on our website, or by calling the church office. Childcare will be available by reservation through the church office by Thursday, May 1.

As you reflect on the John 6:35 scripture this week, thank Christ for being our bread of life and ask for His guidance on how you should support this capital campaign. Ask God to help you discern what your financial commitment should be to this Sanctuary project and to prepare your heart for the commitment.

Please continue to pray daily for the capital campaign and for the future of our church.