

CAMPAIGN FOR THE FOURTH CENTURY BRUTON PARISH CHURCH

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CAMPAIGN NEWS

On May 20, the Vestry gave full endorsement to a capital campaign at Bruton Parish. A steering committee is meeting weekly and moving the campaign from planning to action. We appreciate the opportunity to communicate and share our enthusiasm with the parish in this second newsletter.

In June and July, Vestry and steering committee members made their personal financial commitments to the Campaign. With that accomplished, we are spending the summer speaking with others who have indicated willingness to do the same, and reviewing the three components (see below) with a cross-section of the parish.

Campaign Steering Committee

Isabel Burch
Margaret Driscoll
Marty Easton, Chair
Chris Epperson, Rector
Stephanie King
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OBJECTIVES OF THE CAMPAIGN

- To address current needs,
- To position Bruton Parish for the future,
- To encourage giving by all individuals and families,
- To sustain the spirit of giving after the campaign is completed.

The Campaign for the Fourth Century is designed by and for the people of Bruton Parish — that we may each give as we are able, and effectively support both the present and future church.

THREE COMPONENTS OF THE CAMPAIGN

Raising Operating Income

Your annual giving for 2016 and 2017 will count toward Campaign participation.

Building and sustaining a larger operating base is a cornerstone of the Campaign. This will be achieved by means of the annual pledges we make in the fall — a practice we are all accustomed to. The campaign will commence with the prayerful, intentional pledges we make to Annual Giving. Further information will follow this fall.

A New Congregational Organ

Associated church interior improvements are also under consideration.

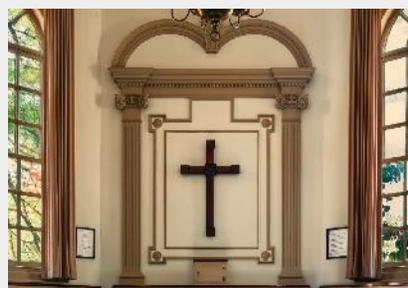
After seven years of study, the Vestry on July 20 approved taking the next step toward the purchase of a new congregational organ. The Vestry is now reviewing a building and installation agreement submitted by Dobson Pipe Organ Builders, with the goal of formalizing the agreement when 80% of the funds needed for the new organ are pledged or received.

Growing the Bruton Parish Church Foundation

As the principal grows, future disbursements to the church can grow accordingly.

A bequest or other planned gift will count toward Campaign participation. By building the Foundation today, we ensure that Bruton Parish remains a thriving place tomorrow.

These three components form our comprehensive campaign. Unsolicited gifts and early calls have resulted in commitments from 70 donors, representing all three of the components. This is encouraging news with which to close this newsletter.



These periodic newsletters will continue to inform about Campaign progress and process. Thank you for reading.