In February’s *Tydings* we touched briefly on the theme that we hope will further our Spirit & Space ministry vision – “Gather Us In” / Here in this Place. You may ask how we came up with that idea.

Some months ago Pastor Dave, Nancy Irving, and Kathy Kettlewell convened a meeting with a blank sheet of paper for the purpose of establishing a theme for our vision. Ideas from other churches’ campaigns were suggested to them by C. Loscalzo, our consultant, but nothing inspired them. They then looked to our hymnal for inspiration and called upon David Kienzle for groupings of hymns that might speak to them. It didn’t take long for the Holy Spirit to intervene when David suggested, “Here In This Place”, Hymn #401. Phrase by phrase, the hymn seemed to echo our Spirit and Space ministry visions of inclusion, welcoming, and spiritual home. So they extracted the repeated phrase “Gather Us In” to capture the very essence of those visions. Some of the relevant text from that hymn:

“Gather us in, the lost and forsaken; 
gather us in, the blind and the lame; 
call to us now, and we shall awaken; 
we shall arise at the sound of your name.”

We believe the full text of that hymn captures the vision we have for our church ministry! So when you get a chance, please turn to our hymnal and read the text of hymn No. 401 in its entirety. We’re certain you’ll be inspired!

We invite you to come learn more about, consider, and pray about our ministry vision as it pertains to the church building and grounds. The “Gather Us In: Imagine” meetings are opportunities to imagine such a vision that capitalizes on our already strong sense of community and mission even as we consider the needs of the larger community that surrounds us, and the future for our church that now demands consideration. Please sign up in Cloister Hall or by contacting the church
office for one of the meetings to be conducted in Westminster Hall on
Sunday, March 3, 10, or 17 following the 10:30 worship service, or Wednesday, March 13 at 7:00 pm in the chapel.

A team of dedicated CPC members has stepped forward to lead and conduct the Gather Us In campaign. They are as follows:

- **Visionary Leader** – Pastor Dave.
- **Chairs of the Campaign (CEO)** – Chairs: Rich & Laura Milligan; Honorary Chairs: Jack & Phyllis Milligan.
- **Manager/Events Director/Administrator** – Nancy Irving & Kathy Kettlewell.
- **Spiritual Awareness Director** – Edith Ophardt.
- **Communications Director** – Tom Okonak.
- **Creative Arts/Worship Director** – Pastor Michael.
- **Small Groups Director** – Nancy Montgomery.
- **Children & Youth Groups Director** – Jennie George.

Finally, you should also know that some staff members and a number of other members of our congregation are serving on two Spirit & Space sub-committees:

- **Architectural Review Sub-Committee (ARC):** Lorraine Murphy (lead), Jeannine Moss, Amanda Carter, Dave Fedder, Jennie George, Tom McCain, Kevin Rice.
- **Communications Sub-Committee:** Tom Okonak (lead), Jen Anderson, Dede Bailey, Teresa Houston, Diane Nave.

Glory be to God for all of their dedication and service!

The Spirit & Space Team