



# Raising the Roof

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The Episcopal Church of the Holy Cross

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## Calendar of Events

September 30

All-Church Bible Study

October 1-21

Enrichment Gatherings

October 28

Sunday School Art Day

November 9-10

24-Hour Prayer Vigil

November 16

Advance Commitments  
Event

November 30

All-Church Banquet  
and Children's Parties

December 2

Commitment Sunday

December 16

Celebration Sunday!

## Holy Cross is "Raising the Roof"

Over the past two years, the members of Holy Cross have been engaged in a very thorough process to discern God's vision for our congregation. Facilities and Needs Assessments, a Feasibility Study and significant input from parish members have made it clear that we will better serve our mission and ministry at Holy Cross by expanding and enhancing our facilities.

And now, we are ready to undertake a capital stewardship campaign to pay for our building projects. With God's guidance and your support, we are "Raising the Roof" at Holy Cross in the following ways:



We are **Raising the Roof** to renovate our existing church building so that worshipers seated toward the back (in the current Fellowship Hall space) will have clearer sightlines and no longer feel like mere spectators. There will be room for 250-300 in our expanded sanctuary, which will allow us to welcome more people into the worship life of Holy Cross.



We are **Raising the Roof** to enclose the breezeway between the church and the Education Building, and build a new corridor along the north side of both buildings to create an expanded narthex and fellowship space with room for 200 people. In a unified facility, we will gain 4,230 square feet of space for youth and adult activities, fellowship and hospitality for all who come through our doors. We'll present a more welcoming presence to our community, too. Kitchen enhancements and new parking are also included!



We are **Raising the Roof** to lift our hands in praise and thanksgiving for the many blessings that God has given us, and let our prayers and intercessions float upward as a cloud of fragrant incense. Your campaign leaders encourage you to participate in the spiritual component of the Raising the Roof campaign by taking part in a Bible Study, and signing up to pray during the 24-Hour Prayer Vigil on November 9-10.



We are **Raising the Roof** as in "to party". The Holy Cross community knows how to have a good time. Our friendship and love of fun is something to celebrate! Plan to attend the All-Church Black and White Banquet and Children's Parties on Friday, November 30.

This is our chance to create a bright future for the ministry of Holy Cross Church. Plan to participate by saying "yes" when invited to participate in the programs and activities of our capital campaign. After all, this is *our* campaign, and one of the privileges of membership. The roof cannot be raised without you!



## *Raising the Roof* Campaign Leadership Team

The Campaign Leadership Team is made up of seventeen volunteers – all members of Holy Cross – who have committed to help make a reality the mission and ministry of our church through the rebuilding and expansion of facilities to house those ministries.

The *Campaign Leadership Team*, chaired by **Chris Fraley**, is made up of various sub-committees. The committees are many as described below:

**Advance Commitments:** This committee's work is to encourage early sacrificial gifts and set a leadership tone for the campaign. **Director: Jim Ferguson**

**Audio-Visual:** This committee will produce an audio-visual presentation which will be shown at the Enrichment Gatherings during the month of October. **Director: Pam Stanton-Wyman**

**Banquet:** This committee is organizing the All-Church Banquet which will take place on Friday, November 30. This festive event will provide a parish-wide opportunity for inspirational Christian fellowship and information about our *Raising the Roof* Campaign as it enters its final weeks. **Co-Directors: Bud Johnson and Steve Meeks**

**Bible Study:** This committee will encourage parishioners to increase the amount of time they spend in Bible study. **Director: Lydia Abbott**

**Children & Youth:** A number of activities are planned for the children and youth in our congregation. In addition to a special Bible study being held on September 30, an art project will be done on October 28 and a children's parties will take place during the All-Church Banquet on November 30. **Director: Carol Prinsloo**

**Commitment Visits:** This group will conduct follow-up visits with members of the congregation who have not made financial commitments by Commitment Sunday, December 2. **Director: Tony Miranda**

**Continuation:** This group will continue to monitor the fund-raising efforts long after the initial campaign has ended. They will conduct follow-up throughout the three years of the capital stewardship program and introduce new members to stewardship opportunities. **Director: Bob Hawes**

**Enrichment Gatherings:** These are small group gatherings in the homes of members of the church. The Enrichment Gatherings will take place between Monday, October 1 and Sunday, October 21. These gatherings are an opportunity for fellowship and conversation, and a forum for asking questions about our building plans. **Director: Debbie Hiatt**

**Hospitality:** This group is working to assure maximum attendance at the All-Church Banquet, and will be taking reservations and assisting with hospitality at the banquet. **Director: Jennifer Hildebrand**

**Planned Giving:** This group is creating a Planned Giving Program for the congregation that will continue to offer giving opportunities after our three-year capital stewardship program has ended. They are creating a strategy for obtaining donations that come from wills, trusts, investment real estate, life insurance policies, stocks and bonds, and strategies to ensure that all contributions received are managed wisely. **Co-Directors: David and Robyn Hutchinson**

**Prayer Vigil:** A 24-hour prayer vigil will be held from noon on Friday, November 9 until noon on Saturday, November 10. This committee is organizing this event and will be providing prayer request cards to parishioners so that they can submit requests. Prayers offered at this time are for all people and circumstances known to Holy Cross's congregation. **Director: Kim Eichner**

**Promotions:** This committee is charged with producing newsletters and the campaign booklet, publicizing campaign events and opportunities within the congregation, and working with other committees to produce needed publications and support materials. **Co-Directors: Barb Fraley and Judy Stevens**

**Resource:** This is the logistics committee of the campaign. Members of this committee support all the committees, providing the logistics for mailings, room arrangements, filling special requests, making sure meetings are announced, and in general being a helping hand to all. **Director: Laurie Fetty**



## All-Church Bible Study Explores “The Joy of Generosity”

“Your word is a lamp to my feet, and a light for my path.” Psalm 119:105

At our worship services on Sunday, September 30, we will have the opportunity to hear an inspirational Bible Study entitled “*The Joy of Generosity*.” Led by Marc Rieke of The Enrichment Group, this Bible Study will lead us through what God has to say to us in scripture about giving, generosity, and Christian stewardship.

Weaving together elements of his own stewardship experience, Marc will share insights into a variety of both old and new testament

scripture texts, and provide us with good food for thought as we enter our ***Raising the Roof*** campaign.

The format of our services on this weekend will be slightly altered to allow us time for this unique opportunity to dig deeply into God’s word. Be sure to join us in worship on September 30.

Our children and youth will also be taking part in a special Bible Study during the 11 a.m. Sunday School time.

## Enrichment Gatherings... What?!

One definition of the word *enrich* is “to make fuller, more meaningful, or more rewarding.” That is the goal of this series of small gatherings: to provide information, conversation and inspiration so that every participant’s experience of the ***Raising the Roof*** capital stewardship campaign may be full, meaningful, and rewarding.

The gatherings will give members of Holy Cross an opportunity to learn about the renovation and expansion plans for the church, to ask questions and make comments. *Participants will not be asked to make a financial commitment during the gatherings.* Instead, it is hoped that everyone attending will leave with a clearer sense of Holy Cross’s mission and its ministries.

The Enrichment Gatherings program is an ambitious project intended to involve every member of the Holy Cross family. They will

take place from Monday, October 1 through Sunday, October 21, and are being scheduled at a number of locations and times so that you may choose a time and place that is convenient. You can sign-up in the Fellowship Hall beginning on September 23<sup>rd</sup>.

A member of the campaign team will be at each of the gatherings to show a short DVD presentation which explains the church’s mission and ministries, and the plans for facility renovation and expansion. The presentation will be followed by plenty of time for questions and conversation.

The entire Campaign Leadership Team invites you to participate in these gatherings, so that you can be informed about the current needs of the church and have a part in shaping our dreams for the future.

## “Black and White” All-Church Banquet & Children’s Parties

Watch your mail for invitations to the “Black and White” All-Church Banquet and Children’s Parties to be held on Friday, November 30.

The banquet will take place at St. John’s Episcopal Church, 105 State Street S., Kirkland. Business attire or festive clothing is appropriate. There will be no cost to attend this evening of good food, fellowship and inspiration.

Our chef is Jim Powers, brother of Banquet Co-Director Bud Johnson, and a former restaurant owner. Jim will be assisted by Barb, Sharon, Don and Ray from the Seattle Scottish Highland Games Association, among others.

While the menu is still in the planning stages, here is an idea of the delights in store:

### Heavy Appetizers

Shrimp a la St. John’s  
Broshetta  
Stuffed Dates

### Pacific Northwest Style

Green Salad  
Pork loin roast  
Salmon  
Ratatouille  
Hot potato salad  
Rolls

### Dessert

Raise the Roof Cake

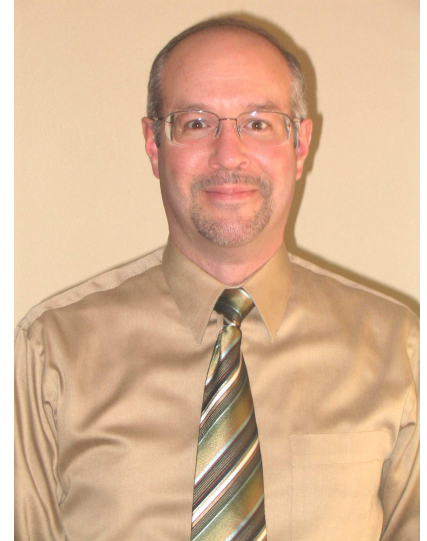
Three parties are being planned for our children and youth to enjoy while their parents are at the banquet. The Toddler Party, for ages 2 and under; the Children’s Party, for ages 3 through 10; and the Teen Party, for ages 11 and up, will take place in other areas of St. John’s facilities. Junior high and high school students have the option of attending either the Teen Party or the main banquet.

# Introducing Campaign Consultant Marc Rieke

Joining our *Raising the Roof* campaign as Consultant is Marc Rieke of The Enrichment Group. Marc serves as a Senior Consultant for Enrichment, bringing innovative methods and strong organizational skills in program design and delivery to our campaign team. Marc received both his B.A.E. and M.A.E. from Pacific Lutheran University, and served as a professional educator and school administrator for 15 years. Marc has also completed graduate studies at Harvard University in the area of organizational design and leadership. A committed churchman, Marc, along with his wife Paula and their two boys, are active members at Zion Lutheran Church in Kent, WA,

where Marc directs the adult choir and serves on various church committees. Marc also serves on the Board of South Sound Outreach Services, a non-profit agency serving low-income senior citizens and persons with disabilities throughout the Puget Sound area.

Marc trained and prepared our team during a seven-hour workshop on August 25<sup>th</sup>. He will be joining us for regular campaign team meetings and for many of our campaign events over the next few months. In addition, he is always available to support the Campaign Team by phone, fax, and e-mail regarding any questions or concerns.



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