



Capital News Capital Campaign Committee Aug 26, 2025

Caring for God's House - Together



Update on the Tree Aug 26, 2025

Take a moment or two and stand in front of the large tree on the wall at the end of the lobby next to the double door into the fellowship hall. This is the artwork of Liz Bushma and Betty Gobeille on behalf of the Capital Campaign Committee.

Each leaf has the name of someone in our congregation – not just the folks from 2022 but everyone who has joined us since! So this week the leaves for Jim, Paula, Ginny, Betty and Marci have been added to our tree. Welcome to RRPC!

Betty Gobeille has also kept the tree up-to-date. The white ribbons contain the names of RRPC beloved folks who have passed from this land to the Lord's church triumphant. And we are thankful that many gifts to the campaign were made in memory of our departed church family.

Our committee enjoyed the image of a tree as a lovely and living symbol for the three year campaign. We could include the whole congregation through the growing tree, by giving each person his/her own leaf. And the leaves are connected via the strong branches, who are some of the multigenerational families within our church family. Charter members of RRPC and their extended families are still among us.

The bark on the tree trunk seems to hold us all together and represents our pastors -- Kathy and Frank. The tree roots symbolize all the ways we gain knowledge of the Triune God, through Bible studies, films, sermons and mission work. The ground is the earth that symbolizes the Triune God – God the Father, His Son Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit.

Around the tree are a variety of animals, many of whom provide details about the

campaign's progress. Look for the woodpecker, squirrel, quail, dove, crow, owl, hummingbird, and roadrunner!

Please enjoy the tree and the animals, and know that our church family has made incredible progress on the three year campaign. Even though we have raised the \$400k goal, we have not completed all the necessary projects on God's house. The work has been more challenging in a post-COVID world.

The Capital Campaign Committee - Betty, Leah, Pat, Denise, Sue and Bob

*Unless the Lord builds the house, the builders labor in vain. Psalm 127:1
Thank you for your support!*

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