

TRANSFORM

our life...our church...our community

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord. - Jeremiah 29:11

Our Vision

Called by God, compelled by the love of Jesus and empowered by the Holy Spirit...

We end relational poverty by inviting everyone to know and experience the love of Jesus and by building authentic relationships with one another.

The heart of Paoli Presbyterian Church is to know Christ and to make Christ known. We believe that God is calling us to TRANSFORM our lives, our church and our community in a way that ends the emptiness of relational poverty.

Our church has a faithful history of service and mission. Today we are called to consider the needs of future generations who will build on God's amazing vision for our church.

These are the strategies defined by our Session, which answer God's call for us to do his transforming work.

- Connect the generations ... by providing experiences that bring us together
- Build community ... by creating personal and intentional relationships
- Energize our children, youth and families ... by passionately sharing his word
- Live the Gospel in both word and deed ... by offering Christ's compassion near and far
- Catalyze young adults ... by expanding our ministry of worship, discipleship, and mission

Realizing our vision and bringing these strategies to life, depends on ... our people.

It encourages us to share the love of God ... our programs.

And it demands a place of comfort and inspiration where we deepen our relationships with God and each other...our church.

Our Vision is calling Paoli to reimagine our future needs for worship, Sunday school, children and student ministries, fellowship and programs that serve our community of faith. That is why after much evaluation and prayer, we believe God has called us to act now to begin the improvements needed to transform Paoli Presbyterian Church.

The plans to transform our facilities align with the church's strategy of Ending Relational Poverty.

New structures and spaces offer new opportunities to strengthen the faith of our current members and bring others to know the gospel.

We have assessed the needs of the church and are proposing the following transformational changes that match our strategic plan and vision of Ending Relational Poverty. These spaces are where our church's future begins.

- **A revitalized worship space for all services**

Our sanctuary has needed a facelift for some time. The planned improvements will create an environment for dynamic and inspiring worship for all generations.

- **A new children's wing**

Children are our future! An exciting and modern ministry space for children will attract new families to our church and bring them back week-after-week. Children will be enthused about this space and parents will feel safer and more secure about its location near the sanctuary.

- **A new gathering space for expanded hospitality and personal connections**

To end relational poverty, we must have facilities that help connect us to others in a relaxed and engaging setting. An enlarged space outside the sanctuary will help bring people together to enjoy fellowship and build relationships that reflect the love of Jesus.

- **An infrastructure that allows us extended use of our facilities and utilities**

We have not done any significant work on the basic needs of our building for many years. There are numerous core improvements that, left undone in the future, will render the structure unsafe and below building code standards. Infrastructure improvements such as upgrading HVAC systems, sprinklers and installing an elevator are crucial enhancements to care for our members, reach our community and fulfill our mission.

To fulfill the needs of our church, we invite you to join together on a spiritual journey and campaign that helps us create a place where people feel welcomed, where they engage in ways that fit their interests and where we transform people's hearts and lives through God-filled experiences.

For more information about the campaign, the committee and upcoming events please see www.paolipres.org/transform

