



The *Forward in Faith* campaign will provide the funds to make our church facilities safer, more accessible, more functional, and more welcoming to all. Through these physical improvements we will be able to enhance and extend our ministry to our members, the Seguin community, and visitors.

Emanuel's has the largest church sanctuary in Seguin. Its beauty and capacity make it a desirable place for people of faith to gather for worship, sacred music concerts, weddings, and funerals. Our proximity to Texas Lutheran University and the Southwestern Texas Synod office makes Emanuel's a natural location for large regional gatherings as well. But we are constrained by accessibility challenges in our restrooms, inadequate kitchen facilities, the worn condition of our Fellowship Hall, and ongoing maintenance concerns. This campaign will address those issues by:

- » **Improving our Accessibility**
- » **Improving our Welcome**
- » **Improving our Building Care**
- » **Improving our Safety**

More details will be shared on each of these in the coming weeks, but this campaign is about more than the building. Your gifts are an investment in Emanuel's ability to move *Forward in Faith* in service to our members, to Seguin, and to the broader community.

It is our responsibility to equip God's people, to do God's work, and to build up the church, the body of Christ - Ephesians 4:12-13



STEP 2: SEEK IN PRAYER GOD'S WILL FOR YOUR GIVING

What do we tend to do when the church asks for our support? The common tendency is to consult our spouse, our budget, our bills, our income, our tax situation, our investments, our accountant, etc., and then determine what we can afford or spare.

Instead, we should as Christians seek to discover what God's will is for us in our giving. A Christian pledge can really only be made on our knees, seeking God's will in fervent prayer.

Prayer is an integral part of the Christian life. The decision on how much to give should not be made without seeking first in prayer what God would have us do.



"I am thrilled to think of the energy, excitement, and possibilities for our congregation and current/future ministries from improvements and upgrades to our facilities. Undeniably, it will allow us to move *Forward in Faith!*" -Susan Yeatts