
“By faith . . . he was looking forward to a city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God.”
(Hebrews 11:10)

By faith, Joseph Pilmore traveled the south along the coast of a New World, stopping in New Bern to proclaim the gospel. By faith, an intrepid band of believers gathered to form a Methodist society. By faith, the cornerstone was laid to build the sanctuary we love. By faith, renovations were done to make the space we know. As the book of Hebrews says, “time is too short for me to tell” of all the heroes that mark the last 250 years of ministry and all they did to bring us to this place.

We can only dream of what the next 250 years will bring — the new ministries, the growth to our community, the new opportunities, and all the ways God will lead the people called Methodist who meet at the corner of New and Middle Streets. This moment is our opportunity to raise our ebenezer marking all the places God has lead us, and proclaim to new generations that God is in this place.



Expenses

Sanctuary Refurbishment	\$500,000
Exterior Paint & Repair	\$250,000
Playground	\$150,000
Kitchen	\$150,000
Other Expenses	\$70,000
Mission Tithe	\$100,000
Total Expenses	\$1,220,000

Levels of Giving:

For a pledge of:

- \$1,000 you will receive a free copy of our 250th Anniversary History Book
- \$5,000 you may have a name engraved on a plaque to be displayed outside the sanctuary
- \$10,000 you may dedicate the refinishing of a pew to be acknowledged on a plaque outside the sanctuary
- \$25,000 you may dedicate a piece of playground equipment to be acknowledged on a plaque in the preschool hall (Limit of 8)
- \$50,000 you may dedicate 1 of 3 areas (the Audio/Visual Area, the Archives Record Room, or the Kitchen) to be acknowledged by a plaque.

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THUS FAR...



So Samuel took a sucking lamb and offered it as a whole burnt offering to the Lord; Samuel cried out to the Lord for Israel, and the Lord answered him, As Samuel was offering up the burnt offering, the Philistines drew near to attack Israel; but the Lord thundered with a mighty voice that day against the Philistines and threw them into confusion; and they were routed before Israel. And the men of Israel went out of Mizpah and pursued the Philistines, and struck them down as far as beyond Beth-car. Then Samuel took a stone and set it up between Mizpah and Jeshanah, and named it Ebenezer; for he said, “Thus far the Lord has helped us.”

— I Samuel 7:9-12



