



a home
for family

a home
for friends



a home for
future generations

home

Dear Bridge City Family,

There is something special about coming home. Home is where people belong, families grow, lives are transformed, and faith is passed from one generation to the next. For years, Bridge City Church has become that kind of home for so many. God has done incredible things through every worship experience, every baptism, every child who has discovered Jesus, and every life that has been changed. We are grateful for His faithfulness, but we also believe He is calling us to take our next step.

That next step will require an expansion initiative we are calling **home**. As a growing church meeting in a rented facility, we believe God is leading us toward our first permanent home...not simply to own a building, but to create a place where more people can encounter Jesus. We envision a stronger home for our church family by adding key staff, strengthening and resourcing our Next Generation ministries, and equipping leaders. We also believe God is calling us to a bigger home that welcomes new friends, reaches the next generation, and creates more opportunities for people to experience Jesus.

Over the next twenty-four months, we are asking every person who calls Bridge City home to prayerfully seek God's direction and consider your best and most sacrificial gift to help make this vision a reality. Ask Him what role He would have you play through prayer, generosity, and faith. Every gift, regardless of size, moves this vision forward and helps create a legacy that will impact lives for generations we may never meet.

Thank you for believing in the vision of Bridge City Church and for your faithful generosity. We cannot wait to see what God will do as, together, we build **home**.

Be Blessed,

Pastor Mik Stuphanovic

Bridge City Church White Oak Pastor





Since March 2012,
we have seen so
many lives changed
and transformed
by Jesus.

936

People crossed the
bridge to life and started a
relationship with Jesus

405

People took their next
step and were water
baptized

moments at the white oak location

2012

Bridge City Church–White Oak launched in March with 67 people in Christina's Restaurant (now Plaza Azteca). We set up every Sunday, while construction happened in our current space.



2013

On December 1, 2013, Pastor Nick was ordained as campus pastor and took over the role of campus pastor from Tom Rajchel who helped launch the location.



2016

In 2016, we added the third floor space for kids and student ministry. Adding much needed space for additional classrooms.



2017

In March of 2017, we celebrated 5 years as a Bridge City location!



average weekly attendance

2012–2026



2019

On September 1, 2019, we added a second worship experience every Sunday. Making room for additional people to meet Jesus.



2022

In March 2022, we celebrated 10 years as a Bridge City location!



2025

On October 12, 2025, we added a third worship experience every Sunday.



2026

We saw our highest weekend attendance at our five Easter experiences, 1,096 people.



Ryan & Claire Conley

When I first came to Bridge City, I was at a point in my life where I was rededicating myself to Jesus. I knew about God, but I didn't really understand what it meant to have a church community or a spiritual home where I could grow in my faith. I decided to throw caution to the wind and become involved in everything Bridge City had to offer: connection groups, serving, local and international mission trips, and opportunities to grow as a disciple.

What I found was so much more than a church. I found a **home** and a new family to love, serve, and grow alongside. Somewhere along the way, what began as my faith journey became our family's faith journey.

In less than two years, we have watched God do something in our family that can only be described as a miracle. We have been saved and baptized, and our family has begun serving, growing, building relationships, and learning what it means to follow Jesus together.

Bridge City has given each of us a place where we are accepted, can be ourselves, and are also encouraged to grow. Claire has developed so many meaningful friendships through serving and connection groups. Clayton looks forward to Bridge City Students as one of the highlights of his week. Jocelynn is discovering more of herself and her faith through Young Adults, and we have watched Kennedy's joy continue to grow.

When I think about where our family was before this journey and where God has brought us to today, the simplest way I know to describe it is: we were lost, and now we are found.

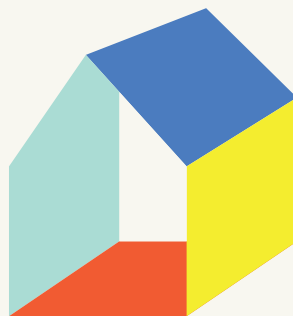
Bridge City is no longer simply the church we attend. It has become the epicenter of our life here, a place of faith, friendship, discipleship, service, and family.

We have found our **home**, and I believe this is only the beginning of what God has planned for our family.

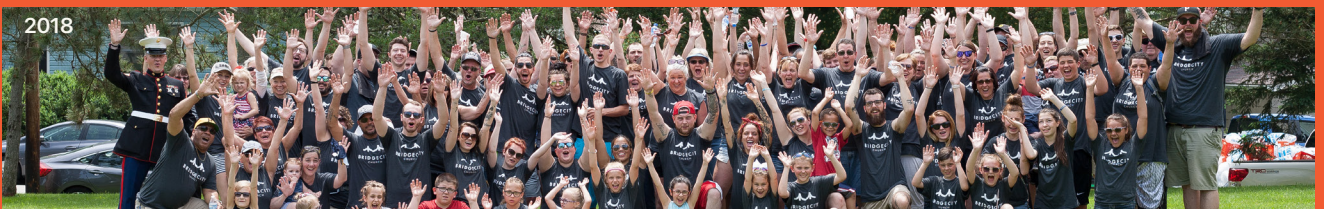
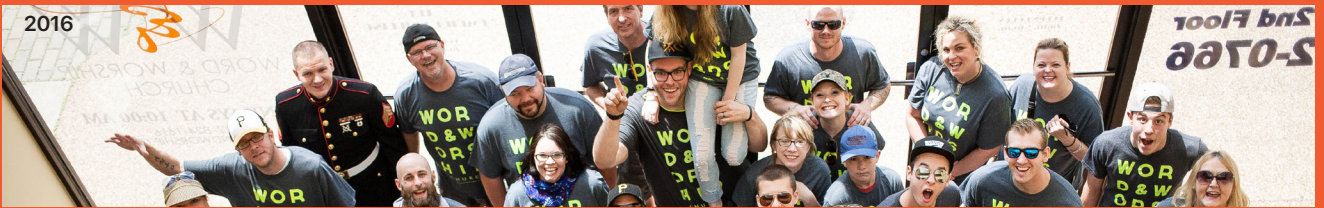


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so that a people
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Psalm 102:18 NLT



parade



oak

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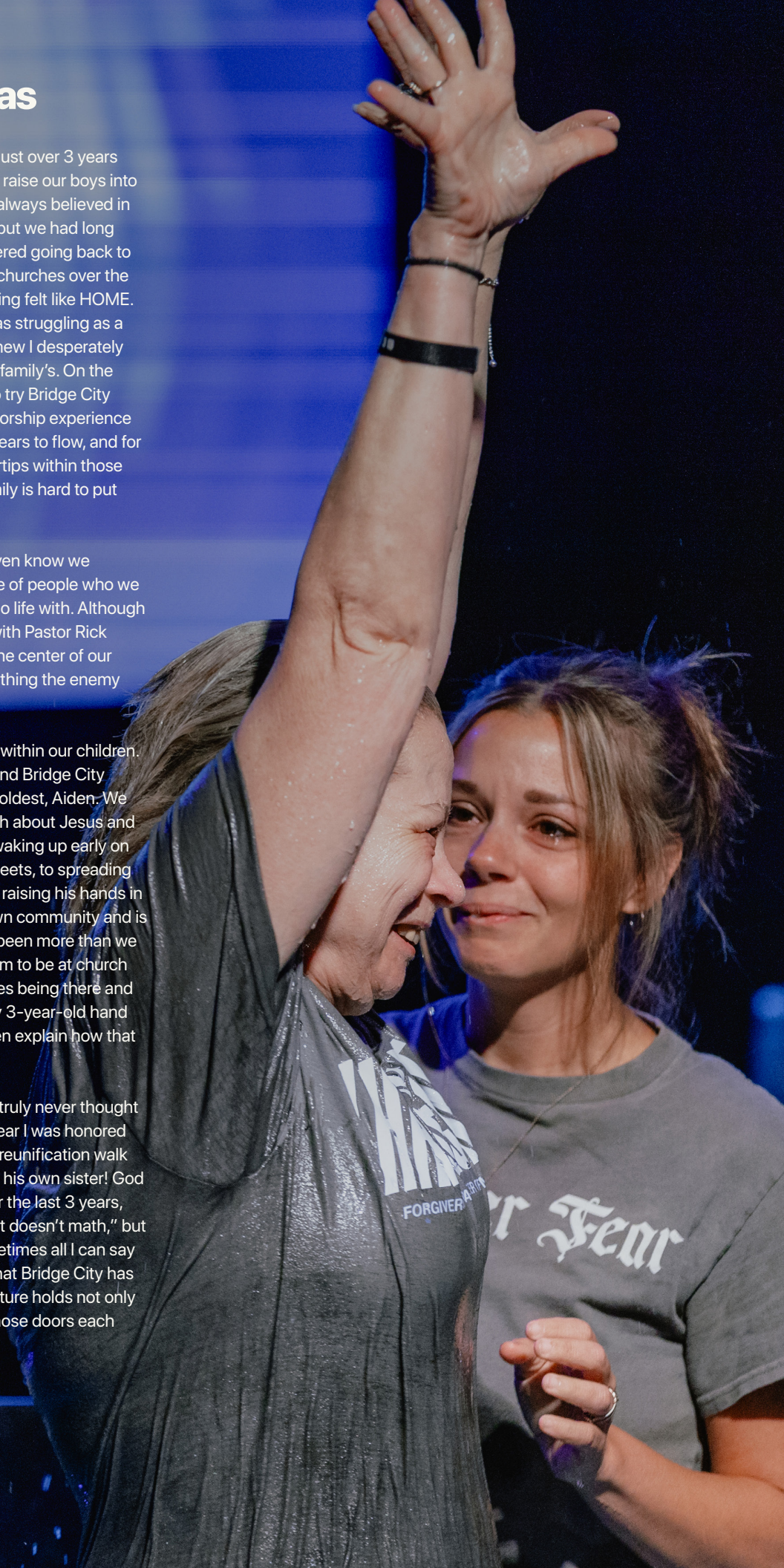
Greg & Ashley Thomas

Our family started attending Bridge City Church just over 3 years ago. We always strived to be good people and to raise our boys into good men with morals, values, and integrity. We always believed in God and were raising our kids to believe in God, but we had long felt that something was missing. We had considered going back to church several times, even reached out to a few churches over the years, and nothing seemed to fit our family. Nothing felt like HOME. Right after the birth of our 3rd baby, I (Ashley) was struggling as a lot of mommas do in those early months, and I knew I desperately needed more God in my life—both mine and my family's. On the recommendation of a good friend, we decided to try Bridge City Church on Mother's Day 2023. It took just one worship experience for the Holy Spirit to speak to our hearts, for the tears to flow, and for us to feel that our missing piece was at our fingertips within those walls. The growth I've seen in myself and my family is hard to put into words.

We have found healing in Jesus that we didn't even know we needed. Through groups, we have found a village of people who we can lean on, raise our kids with, laugh with, and do life with. Although storms still come, Bridge City's marriage group with Pastor Rick and Natalie has given us tools to keep Christ at the center of our marriage, and we now know it can withstand anything the enemy throws our way.

Still, I feel the most amazing changes have been within our children. I can't say enough about what Bridge City Kids and Bridge City Students have done for them, but especially our oldest, Aiden. We watched him go from a kid who didn't know much about Jesus and griped about going to church because it meant waking up early on Sunday mornings and missing some wrestling meets, to spreading his wings, going halfway across the country, and raising his hands in praise. He's served on mission trips within our own community and is helping other kids find their way to Jesus. It's all been more than we could ever ask for. Each week, Lyle gets up at 6am to be at church for all three worship experiences because he loves being there and loves the friends he's made. Conor raised his tiny 3-year-old hand during worship a few weeks back, and I can't even explain how that filled my heart.

Additionally, I have witnessed some things that I truly never thought I would. Invites turned into filled seats, and this year I was honored to baptize my mom. Bridge City has initiated her reunification walk with Jesus! Greg was blessed to do the same for his own sister! God has worked in our lives in a million little ways over the last 3 years, including our finances. Sometimes "the math just doesn't math," but still we have everything we need and more. Sometimes all I can say is, "BUT GOD." We will forever be thankful for what Bridge City has given our family. We can't wait to see what the future holds not only for us, but for every person who walks through those doors each Sunday morning.





Shawn & Kristi Mazzola

For a long time, we tried different churches, hoping to find a place where we truly felt like we belonged. Unfortunately, we never really felt like we were part of the church family. We didn't know the pastor, no one really reached out to us, and eventually, we stopped going.

About a year later, a friend invited me to this church. At the time, my biggest desire was for my grandchildren to know Jesus and grow up knowing what it means to have a relationship with Him. I started coming, but eventually, bringing the grandchildren became difficult, and I stopped attending.

A year later, I found myself praying for my daughter. I was praying that God would change her lifestyle, draw her closer to Him, and give her a desire to know Him. When she was finally able to attend church, we both came to Bridge City together.

From that moment, something was different.

We didn't just attend church—we began to feel like we were home. We felt welcomed, loved, and accepted. We felt like people genuinely cared about us, not just as people sitting in a pew, but as individuals and as a family.

About six months later, I began praying for my husband, asking God to change his lifestyle and his mindset and to draw him closer to Him. My husband eventually started coming with us. From the moment he was introduced to Pastor Nick, he felt the same thing we had felt: he was home.

Then, about a month later, our youngest son started coming too. He had promised Pastor Nick he would come one Sunday—and he did.

Our family has never experienced a church quite like this one. We have never been in a place where the people genuinely care about us, pray for us, encourage us, and make us feel like we belong.

To us, this church is more than a building or a place we attend on Sundays. It has become our church family. It has been a place where God has been working in each of our lives, bringing our family closer to Him and to one another.

This church means **home** to us. It means family. It means love. It means Jesus.



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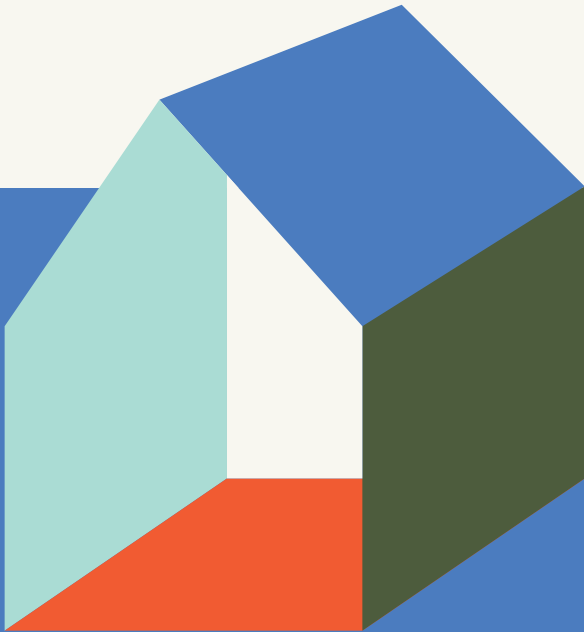
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24-month expansion initiative goal

\$2.25 million

Our goal over the next 24 months is \$2.25 million, which is a *\$750,000 increase over our current tithes & offerings*

The home initiative is an invitation for each of us to take our next step of faith. A next step could be increasing your current generosity or experiencing the joy of trusting God through faithful giving for the very first time.



The \$750,000 increase will be used for:

A stronger home for our family

\$250,000

- Add key staff to care for our growing family
- Increase ministry budgets to accomplish our mission
- Equip people for the work of the ministry

An expanded home for friends and future generations

\$500,000

- Larger and more efficient kids' and student spaces
- *Expand our capacity*
 - 500-600 seat auditorium
 - 18,000-20,000 square foot facility
 - 7-10 acres of usable land
- Increase space for groups, discipleship and friends to become family
- Expand our influence and impact in our community



North
Braddock

30

Monongahela River

30

McKeesport

Port Vue

Liberty

White Oak

our current location

we're looking for land or a
building within a 3 mile radius
of our current location

301

North
Huntingdon

Boston

Youghiogheny River

Monongahela River

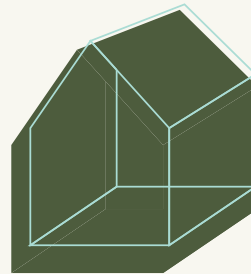
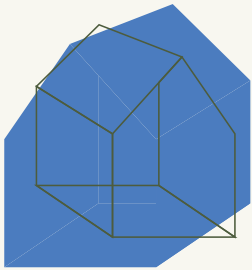
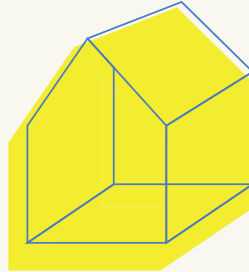
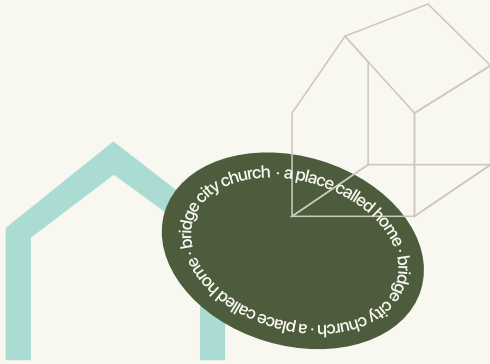
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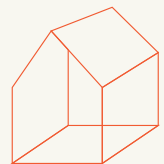
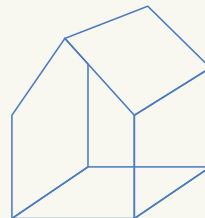
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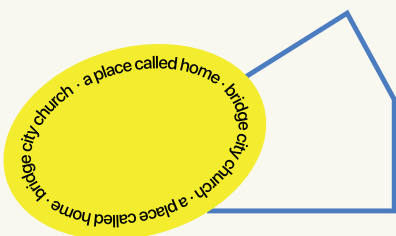
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FAQ

What is the home generosity initiative?

The **home generosity initiative** is a 24-month season of generosity. No matter where you are in your generosity journey, we are inviting everyone to take a step of faith and commit to a season of sacrificial giving. Those who aren't currently giving or give occasionally will become consistent givers; consistent givers will step into tithing in faith; and those who tithe will grow into extravagant givers.

What is the purpose of home?

To increase generosity that will result in expanding the following two areas:

- *Our Family* will be strengthened by increasing ministry budgets and key staff support.
- *Our Friends & Future Generations* will position us to pursue property and/or a building that will reach more people and create more efficient spaces for a permanent home.

Have we identified any sites?

While we know our target areas, we have not identified any specific sites yet. We are actively looking at both buildings and/or land.

How did we arrive at the \$2.25 million number?

The \$2.25 million represents all of our total financial commitments, combining our current level of giving with the most sacrificial and generous commitment of giving over 24 months.

Why now?

Our Bridge City Church – White Oak location has experienced an exponential growth and is now at capacity, utilizing every square foot of our space. We believe it's time to go from renters to owners and establish a place that we can truly call **home**.

Are there plans to add a fourth worship experience until we can get a building?

Yes. Plans are being prayed and processed to launch a fourth worship experience in early spring of 2027. Plans TBA.

Have we considered launching another location instead of buying or building?

We are not ruling out this option for the future, but we feel very confident God is leading us to secure a permanent location in our target area before launching in a new direction.

How long until we are able to purchase a building or land?

We anticipate needing a \$3-4 million loan for this project and currently have \$600,000 toward the purchase of land, a building, and/or renovations. We are on a generosity growth line, not a timeline. We are actively pursuing every possibility for the next location, and this initiative will help us secure the right opportunity when it comes.

Is the home generosity initiative for all of Bridge City Church or only the White Oak location?

The **home generosity initiative** is exclusively for the White Oak location. The other locations will not be contributing; as they are pursuing building initiatives of their own.

What can I do to help?

The most important thing you can do right now is **pray BIG!** Ask God how He wants you to participate financially, and come ready to make your commitment on **Sunday, October 18**.

What steps should I consider?

We view generosity like every spiritual discipline - with the goal of consistently growing our faith from where we are today. Consider where you are in your generosity journey: non-giver, occasional giver, consistent giver, tithe, extravagant giver. Over the next 24 months, we are asking everyone to take one, two, or even three steps forward in faith.

Will we continue to receive special offerings for Kingdom Builders and missions?

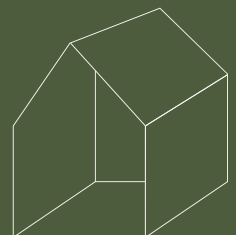
Yes. We will continue to provide opportunities throughout the year to sow into local, national, and international missions.

What is different about a one-fund approach to vision?

Instead of asking our church to give towards two funds (general budget and special projects), we are inviting everyone to give toward one vision for the next two years. Through this vision, our church family will be strengthened, while ministry, facility, and other expenses are covered. Our hope is that this initiative will inspire bold steps of faith and generosity, resulting in greater discipleship and spiritual growth.

Can I begin my home commitment with a one-time gift and/or non-cash gift?

Yes! Both options are available. Please see our [gift profile guide](#) for details. One-time gifts may include cash, assets, bonds, or stocks. For more information about giving non-cash assets, contact Sarah Stauffer at sarah@bridgecitypgh.com in our accounting department.



determining your commitment

We're in the midst of an amazing time at Bridge City Church. Together we can move our church forward for our family, friends and future generations.

01

Commit to Pray

Help us pray for direction, wisdom, and provision in this season. Commit to pray consistently for Bridge City Church and our future. Ask yourself, what can I give? What can I give up? What can I believe God for? Then, while praying, ask God what you can give.

02

Commit to Hearing God & Take Your Next Step

While you are praying over an amount, look where you are in your giving journey. Wherever you're at, there is always a next step to take. What is God saying to you? Give yourself a few days to process that amount. Is the amount helping you take a step forward in faith and your giving journey?

If you are married, pray about your commitment separately. Then discuss and process what you're each hearing together. You should have joy and peace in your heart about the amount God is asking you to give.

03

Commit to 24 months of Generosity

Take the next step in your giving journey and fill out your commitment card. Our faithful God always responds to our faith.

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**upcoming
important
dates**

**Commitment
Sunday**

October 18, 2026

**Kickoff
Offering**

November 8, 2026

What's your next step?

No matter where you are, we're inviting you to prayerfully consider your next step in giving

START



PLAN



FAITH



STRETCH



first time giver

Every journey begins somewhere. A first-time giver may be someone who hasn't given yet or only on occasion, who senses God's call to live generously.

consistent giver

A consistent giver has developed a plan and is investing regularly and consistently in what God is doing at Bridge City.

tithing giver

Someone who has intentionally committed to live on 90% and invest 10% into God's work of making disciples at Bridge City.

extravagant giver

Someone who uses the tithe as a starting point, not a finish line, and gives generously beyond 10%.

generosity gift guide

\$2.25 million

This guide is an example of the types
of gifts needed to make home a reality

number of commitments	amount of each commitment
1	\$150,000
2	\$100,000
3	\$75,000
4	\$60,000
6	\$45,000
8	\$38,000
10	\$30,000
12	\$20,000
18	\$12,000
25	\$6,000
50	\$3,000
many	under \$3,000



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commitment card

Use this example to help complete your commitment card.

Current giving

Write down what you currently give in a year to Bridge City Church (i.e. \$3,500 tithes and offerings)

Additional generosity commitment

Write down the additional amount you'd like to give annually to Bridge City (i.e. \$1,000)

Total annual amount + additional commitment

Add those two numbers together (i.e. \$3,500 + \$1,000 = \$4,500)

Multiply your yearly commitment

Multiply your new annual amount by 2 to get your new giving total for 24 months (i.e. \$4,500 x 2 = \$9,000)

Stored resource gifts

If you are giving a one-time amount from savings, stock or elsewhere enter that amount here

Your total commitment to home

Add your two year total and any stored resources (if applicable) and write your new commitment

My 24-month generosity commitment to home

Use this card to calculate your commitment

\$ 3,500	What I/we normally give to Bridge City Church in a year	
+	\$ 1,000	My/Our additional yearly generosity commitment
=	\$ 4,500	My/our new annual giving amount

x 2 years	\$ 9,000	
my additional gift from stored resources (savings, stocks, real estate, etc.)	+	\$ 500
My/Our total commitment to home	=	\$ 9,500

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**thank you so much
for your sacrificial
commitment!**

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give stock & save taxes

Maximize Kingdom impact by giving appreciated securities instead of writing checks.

Donating appreciated stock is one of the easiest ways to give more to causes you care about.

Maybe your stocks have appreciated greatly since you purchased them. Maybe a surge in value of one of your holdings has thrown your portfolio off balance. Maybe you just want to refocus on other investment categories. If you also give to charity, these scenarios should encourage you to review your investment portfolio with a donation strategy in mind.

Why? Because donating stock directly to your church is one of the most tax-smart ways to give.

how it works

traditional giving

1. Start with \$10,000 in cash
2. Write checks to ministries for \$10,000
3. Receive a \$10,000 charitable deduction
4. Keep track of every tax receipt manually
5. Continue to pay capital gains tax in your portfolio

more giving using stock

1. Donate \$10,000 of stock
2. Receive a \$10,000 charitable deduction
3. Shares are sold by Bridge City tax-free
4. Re-fund your portfolio using \$10,000 cash (reset basis)
5. Use tax savings to give more

Impact of a new approach

Less tax. You eliminate capital gain tax on the donated stock (\$1,000 saved assuming \$5k cost basis with 20% tax)

More giving. You increase your giving capacity by eliminating current or future tax exposure

Reset your cost basis. Still like the stock? Use your cash to repurchase the same stock or mutual fund

Tax-free rebalancing. Your investment advisor can rebalance your portfolio with no tax consequences

Improved personal cash flow. Using tax savings to give more increases your charitable deduction

Tax-free growth. Gifts invested inside your Giving Fund can grow tax-free

Donate without the headache. We have a streamlined process to handle non-cash, asset giving

To discuss these options or to answer any of your questions concerning this giving strategy, please contact Sarah Stauffer at sarah@bridgecitypgh.com



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1 You can't take it with you, but you can send it ahead.

If we invest in the eternal instead of in the temporal, we store up treasures in Heaven that will never stop paying dividends. Whatever treasures we store up on earth will be left behind when we leave. Whatever treasures we store in Heaven will be waiting for us when we arrive.

We need to invest in the eternal future, God's future. It makes sense.

"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal. ²⁰ But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroy and where thieves do not break in nor steal, ²¹ for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." **Matthew 6:19-21** ^{MEV}

Do not be afraid when a man becomes rich, When the glory of his house is increased; ¹⁷ For when he dies he will carry nothing away; his glory will not descend after him. **Psalms 49:16-17** ^{NASB}

2 God owns everything. I'm God's money manager.

God is the owner of everything, including books, houses, cars, clothes, jewelry, electronics, and toys. He even owns me and you, our souls and our bodies. God never revoked His ownership, never surrendered His claim to all treasures.

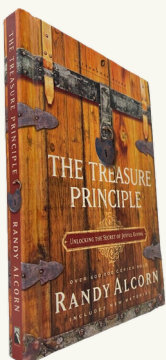
We need to adopt a steward's mentality towards the assets God has entrusted, not given, to us.

First rule of giving: God owns everything.

The earth is the LORD'S, and all it contains, The world, and those who dwell in it. **Psalms 24:1** ^{NASB}

Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own? ²⁰ For you have been bought with a price... **1 Corinthians 6:19-20a** ^{NASB}

"He who is faithful in a very little thing is faithful also in much; and he who is unrighteous in a very little thing is unrighteous also in much. ¹¹ Therefore if you have not been faithful in the use of unrighteous wealth, who will entrust the true riches to you? " **Luke 16:10-11** ^{NASB}



Pick up a free copy of **The Treasure Principle** at the Connection Point

3 My heart goes where I put God's money.

In Matthew 6, it says, "for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

This scripture is telling us that our hearts follow our treasure. Jesus is saying in a modern-day context, "Show me your bank records and your credit card statement, and I'll show you where your heart is." What we do with our money doesn't simply indicate where our hearts are. According to Jesus, it determines where our hearts go.

What is your treasure? Where is your heart?

Therefore if you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth. **Colossians 3:1-2** ^{NASB}

...fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. **Hebrews 12:2** ^{LSB}

4 God prospers me not to raise my standard of living, but to raise my standard of giving.

Abundance isn't God's provision for me to live in luxury. It is His provision for me to help others live. God entrusts me with His money not to build my kingdom on Earth but to build His Kingdom in Heaven.

Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. ¹¹ You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God. **2 Corinthians 9: 10-11** ^{NIV}

This will be written for the generation to come, that a people yet to be created may praise the LORD. **Psalms 102:18** ^{NASB}



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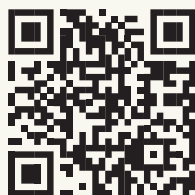


message notes



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