

## Have You Heard About Our Maintenance Needs?

Maintenance of our beautiful facility has been a long standing challenge. Our maintenance reserves have been depleted with recent, costly projects such as the parking lot resurfacing, steeple repair and painting, and the replacement of two of the twelve furnaces. The 2007 budget does not allow for the replenishment of the maintenance funds to the levels necessary to maintain the facilities in a manner that will satisfy the congregation or that the building will require. The Trustees and Session have determined it is necessary to raise capital to address some immediate and critical needs.

Currently we are faced with a number of projects that have been deemed either a potential safety issue, or work that, if not done now, could become much more costly if delayed. The following projects have been deemed necessary to be undertaken immediately:

- § The replacement of emergency exit doors in the basement and the front side doors which now compromise both safety and structural integrity of the church.
- § Re-working the exit and emergency signage and building egress to conform to current local, building codes. Poorly marked exits could lead to an unthinkable tragedy in the event of a fire or other catastrophe which may occur while the church is occupied. Our insurance carrier has also pointed out this deficiency.
- § Seal and re-stripe the parking lot.
- § The repair of window sills in the parlor and Fellowship Hall that are causing both structural and decorative damage

These are the most urgent needs. There are additional significant and necessary expenditures such as the exterior water drainage and the damage being caused to the foundation that will become problematic if delayed much longer. Any additional funds raised will be set aside to handle these as they come up.

Our goal in communicating this to you along with your 2008 Stewardship request is to ask each of you to help us take this immediate and critical step in the effort to keep PCB on a firm ground as our ministry reaches out and prepares for the future.

- § The Trustees have determined it will take approximately \$50,000 to take care of our top four most urgent needs. After prayerful consideration, please fill out that part of the pledge card designated to the building fund for maintenance of our beloved facility.