



TRAILHEAD

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Building to Serve

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. Will the new facility be accessible for only members of the church or will community member also be able to use the facility? Year round? Is there a fee to host an event?
The new facility will have the same facility use policy that currently exists. A member of Trailhead needs to sponsor the event and the sponsor member needs to be in attendance of the event. There is no set fee, but donations are welcome. To request using the facility, people may utilize the existing Facility Use Form. Once completed, church leadership reviews and approves or denies the request.
2. Who is going to build the new building?
If we raise the full amount, H&H Buildings (mission-based, experience w/ Faith Baptist, local) will building the new facility.
If we don't raise the full amount, we will do a lot of the work ourselves over time. We have contacted the Mennonites that built the current church building, as a potential option (need to be housed and fed while working).
3. What will happen if you don't get the \$2 million?
\$500,000 (in addition to savings and mortgage) will get the foundation, roof, and walls finished. Donated time, gifts, and talents in our church and increased giving over time will finish the interior. If we don't reach \$500,000, the plan will need to be reduced.
4. What is your plan to raise the \$2 million dollars?
Please review the campaign mission statement and contribution form. The plan is face to face fundraising, pledges, and donations. Please prayerfully consider how you and your family can partner in this!
The group has multiple fundraisers and events planned through May 6th.
Our first fundraiser is a raffle at the Fall Fest booth next weekend. Stop by and send your friends over for a chance to win!
 - 1) Rifle
 - 2) ½ a pig (cut, cured, wrapped and frozen!)
 - 3) Kid's bike and Pedicure

If you know people in the community (or further) that would like to donate, please contact one of the committee members, or give them a contribution packet and form. All contributions and pledges remain strictly confidential.

5. Can/will the church sell some of its property to help pay for the build?
The goal is to raise the full \$2 million. Property sale is not planned at this time, but we are open to the idea if necessary.
6. Whose idea was it to expand the church? I think the church is doing fine right now.
During the construction of our current building, it was originally planned to add an expansion. In October 2019, there was a congregational meeting to determine the needs of the church. Surveys were sent out following that meeting to the members of the church to gather more input and identify the needs. Following the survey and meeting, it was determined an expansion was the next step. These needs of the congregation will be addressed (among others): Youth Group, Sunday Schools, Potlucks, Weddings/Funerals, Security, and so much more!!
7. How will we maintain the entire building after it is built? How can we afford that?
Our current budget already designates money each month to a mortgage, although we do not currently have one. Church leadership is prepared for the building maintenance and recognizes the current custodial contract will need to be expanded, the building maintenance and repair budget that will be evaluated, and we look forward to more Church Work Nights.
8. Why don't we just get a loan for the entire new construction?
Church leadership doesn't believe this would be fiscally responsible. The church currently has the ability to pay back \$450,000 with the current budget (\$26,000 annually). We hope you find it a blessing to contribute and give!
9. Why does the new construction need to be so big? I don't see that many people at church on Sunday's.
This expansion plan addresses our current needs, while still planning for the future. The Christian Ed committee and Youth Group have determined their needs and we designed the expansion with those needs in mind.
10. Will other churches be able to use our facility?
See answer to question #1- Facility Use Policy
11. Can't we just partner with another church and make it a combined effort?
The church leadership has determined this not an option and logistically it wouldn't work.
12. Who will be in charge of the new facility once it's built? Who will manage it?
The church will run and manage the new facility, specifically the Trustees. This is the same as the current building.
13. Why a multi-purpose gym? If we need it for the kids and youth, why don't we build a community outdoor park instead?
Living in Montana, an indoor facility to be used throughout the year is essential. Also, the new expansion isn't just for kids and youth. The church will host numerous events, potlucks, fellowship gatherings, weddings, funerals, etc. In the design renderings, the $\frac{3}{4}$ basketball court is mostly for scale. This is really a multipurpose room.
14. If we do raise the funds, is this the best use of funds or are we better suited to spend it elsewhere or on other debts?
Due to the generosity of the Lord and our members, Trailhead has no other debts. Please see the answer to question #6 that addresses the desire of the church. The new facility will be a great tool of ministry and increased outreach to the community. It also opens other ministry opportunities for the church.

15. Is the growth in the county going to support a new building?
Broadwater County's estimated population is 6,567 with a growth rate of 2.58% in the past year according to the most recent United States census data. It is the 32nd largest county in Montana. The 2010 population was 5,633 and has seen a growth of 16.58% since this time. Note: 2020 and 2021 data is projected.
Broadwater County is the #3 fastest growing county in the state.
Throughout the past few years, our church has seen a large increase in visitors every week, new attenders, and new members. Praise the Lord for His faithfulness in growing the church.
16. How does a new building support our mission of serving God? How does it make us a better church?
Trailhead is a local expression of the world-wide Church, and Christ has been faithful to build us as a Body as well – even to this day! We are excited to think and pray about how He may continue the building process in the future – for His glory and for the good of His people! There is an urgent need for space, a large multipurpose room, storage, and classrooms to serve the current members and children. We are excited about future programs for adults and children this space will allow. The potential for outreach to the community and around is endless.
17. I'm all in, but I'm on a fixed income. What can I do to help?
First of all, pray! Please consider volunteering during fundraising opportunities and events. We hope to identify many gifts and talents throughout the body and use them in this entire process. The contribution form has a list of ways everyone can help and contribute. If we end up finishing up the inside by ourselves, there will be a large need for volunteers to work and contribute in large ways. Please contact anyone on the committee if you are interested in volunteering!
18. I'm not sure I like the design, can it be changed?
After careful consideration of all the needs of our church and being mindful of trying to build something to meet those needs, with fiscal responsibility in mind, this is the design that the leadership and committees have come up with.
19. When do we vote on this project?
The Trailhead constitution and by-laws say the only time a vote is required pertaining to this situation, is if the church needs to borrow funding and take out a mortgage. This project is dependent on how much funds can be raised. If we raise our goal, a mortgage will not be needed. If we don't raise our goal and a mortgage is needed, a congregational meeting and vote will occur on the project.
20. I still have questions and want more information. Who should I contact?
Please contact any of the committee members or church leadership. We would love to discuss this project over a cup of coffee. Pastor Mark, Pastor Clay, Chase Ragen, Chuck Blair, Jesse Moldenhauer, Glen Van Zee, Chase White, Bob Denman, and Nancy Marks
21. I want to contribute right away. How should I give?
Thank you!
Please fill out a contribution form and return to any committee member. We are pleased to accept cash, check (memo: building to serve), Venmo (@trailheadbuilding2serve), and PayPal (@Building2Serve).