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Thanks for Helping Us Raise the Roof!

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Dear Members and Friends of Good Shepherd,

Last May, the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd faced the daunting task of raising \$110,000 to replace our roof. We turned to you and the Ogden community for help, and we have been overwhelmed with the response. Within three months of the launch of our "Raise the Roof!" campaign for this project, the lion's share of the funds were already donated and in the bank. Pledges will pay off the small amount we owe on the loan.

If you have driven by the church building the past few months, you may have seen the roofers hard at work, secured to the steep incline with safety ropes. It made many of us a bit dizzy to just see them up there. In the past couple of weeks, we have had a lift raising workers up to the steeple for the final phase of the work. An inspection of the steeple was done while they were there, and we are happy and relieved to report that our historic bell and its rope are in good shape. Now all that's left are the finishing touches: replacing the gutters and snow melters.

This is part of our stewardship to this historic building and to downtown Ogden. Built in 1874, this is the oldest building in Ogden still used for its original purpose—almost 150 years as the Church of the Good Shepherd. This roof has a 50-year warranty, and we are so grateful to have it completed and know that this part of the building is sound for the next several decades.

This would not have been possible without the generosity of all of our donors, from the pledges of \$10 to \$15 a month to large cash donations. Every dollar pledged or donated went to the roof, and every amount helped.

We want to acknowledge the Willard L. Eccles Foundation and the Stephen G. and Susan E. Denkers Family Foundation, which made substantial donations that put us over the top of our goal. These foundations want Good Shepherd members to know that they remain active in the Ogden community and that they value the work that Good Shepherd does. We also wanted to thank an anonymous donor who provided an extra amount to ensure the steeple work was done properly.

Jean Norman, Senior Warden

Rich Bauter, Raise the Roof! Chair