



Sanctuary Renovation Program Timeline and Overview

- The plans for the renovation program actually began with the 1996-97 Five-Year Plan, developed by the Planning Committee.
- Since the mid-90s, we have performed piece-meal updates to our building:
 - Built a kitchen and renovated Heller Fellowship Hall
 - Fixed a flat roof
 - Fixed bathrooms
 - Replaced all flooring
 - New furnaces for upper rooms
 - Replaced windows and doors
- The sanctuary remained unchanged, other than some carpeting.
- Short-term issues affected our long-range plan and the project stopped.
- In 2004, the project was revisited. In August 2004, Session recommended to:
“...embark on a capital campaign to accomplish the goal to ‘Expand and remodel the sanctuary to increase seating by 50 to 60%...’ as stated by the 1996/1997 Long Range Planning Report.”
- A committee was formed in September 2004 with a Charter from Session:
“The Vision Committee (renamed Omega) is charged with finding ways more members can be more active in worship and church life, with adjustment or additions to our physical plant to accommodate our growth.”
- The Omega Committee, in concert with the Property and Sanctuary Committees:
 - Met with the Presbytery Development Officials.
 - Hired David Schultz as our architect
 - Conducted Congregational & Ministry surveys.
 - Held Town Hall & Cottage meetings.
 - Held an architect’s presentation in June 2005.
 - Recommended formation of a Church Renovation Committee to assist in the decision process for the architect – merged members from Sanctuary, Property and Omega.
 - Created the Omega Capital Committee to investigate capital campaigns and processes.



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- On Oct. 16, 2005, architect David Schultz presented updated plans for the renovation, and at a Congregational Meeting Oct. 23, 2005, the congregation unanimously voted to move forward with the capital campaign to fund the program.
- Members Lois Balk and Mike Sifferd co-chaired and led a highly successful capital campaign in early 2006. The focus of the campaign was to request pledges to the program over a three-year period.
- To date, \$887,470 has been contributed to the Capital Campaign fund with about \$100,000 outstanding from the pledges received during the campaign.
- The cost of construction for the sanctuary renovation will be \$1.2 million, and total project cost is \$1.5 million, which includes architect and legal fees, site testing and other associated costs. A loan for the remaining funds required beyond our capital giving will be provided through a bank loan, approved by Presbytery.
- The primary focus for the sanctuary renovation program is to:
 - Expand the sanctuary. Current seating capacity in our sanctuary is 150. The renovation will increase sanctuary capacity to 212.
 - Provide adequate room in the sanctuary for choirs, musicians and instruments. The choir and instruments will be moved to the front of the sanctuary.
 - Pitch the roof of the sanctuary.
 - Expand and renovate the narthex area.
 - Update existing heating/air conditioning/electrical systems.
 - Construction is expected to last about 9 months.
- The renovation program will allow St. Luke to:
 - Accommodate current membership and add new members to our family.
 - Enhance our worship services and support our music ministry by providing adequate space for our choirs, musicians and musical instruments, as well as for special programming.
 - Worship in a sanctuary with improved acoustics, lighting and heating and cooling.
 - Welcome all in an inviting, friendly and more spacious environment.