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Dear Family and Friends of FPC,

God has been actively breathing new life into our church for the past two years. This new life is what we would refer to as revitalization, and it is a stretching of our faith as leaders and the body. In the fall of 2020, a revitalization committee was formed by request of the session. This committee was given the task of heading up all revitalization efforts in the church with the two main areas of focus being—growth of the body and stewardship of the building.

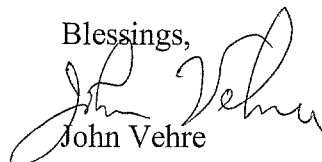
Revitalization of the body began with the kickoff of our BFB Dinners which were supported and fully funded by the Midwest Presbytery. Your prayers and support of this ministry initiative were critical and very much appreciated. Since its initial kickoff, we have added to our church body 28 new members, 14 regular attenders, 30 children, as well as 7 confirmands. New adult ministries including small groups and Bible studies is where we see God actively working as he builds us into a unified family in Christ.

As exciting as this is, it only emphasizes the need for revitalizing and being good stewards of our church building. The Christian Education committee first began this journey by identifying the need for updated children's rooms. This very pressing need has led to identifying further needs throughout the "new" addition, especially since it was last renovated in 1987.

The church session has unanimously recommended that members of FPC vote to approve and move forward with the building renovation as designed by Garmann-Miller Architects and quoted by Bruns Construction. This vote will take place during the annual meeting on Sunday, January 22, 2023, immediately following worship. As a renovation committee, we are very excited about the work that has been done to get us to this current point in the process. For a complete scope of the project, please see attachment *2023 FPC Renovation*.

If you have any questions regarding this project, you are encouraged to contact any member of the renovation committee: John Vehre, Craig Leland, Wes Jetter, Jan Roestamadj, Paige Ervin. You are also encouraged to attend an informational meeting, hosted by the committee, one week prior on January 15th after worship to educate you on costs and answer any further questions you might have. This invitation is extended to members and visitors alike. We trust you will be able to attend.

Blessings,


John Vehre
Committee Chair

Enclosed: 2023 FPC Renovation