



St. Paul Lutheran Church

Facility Enhancement Team – Building Priorities

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High Priority

- Provide a gathering area to serve as a special welcoming environment for Church members and visitors.
- Update HVAC system in the Sanctuary and the Education Wing, especially the Office areas.
- Provide a Family Restroom (for families with small children and elders that need assistance) as part of the updated restroom project discussed below.
- Construct an aesthetically pleasing and easily recognized primary entrance to the Church; one that not only provides access to the Sanctuary but to the staff offices and education rooms as well.
- Develop means of handicap access to all parts or as many parts of the Church as practical.
- Develop updated restrooms that are both contiguous to the Sanctuary and handicap accessible.
- Update the Church basement and thereby better accommodate the needs of larger groups. This also includes modernizing the kitchen.

Other items that will be accomplished in completing the High Priority tasks:

- Facilitate access to the nursery area from the Sanctuary and the Gathering Area.
- Develop additional meeting rooms, including at least three rooms for medium to large-sized groups.
- Provide an outside storage area for lawn mower, snow blower, yard tools, etc.
- Energy conservation and efficiency “umbrellas” the entire project and should be added to other items that will be accomplished.

Additional items that need attention:

- A new sign for the exterior of the Church.
- Better lighting for the stained glass window in the Sanctuary.
- The exterior light on the NE corner of the Church should be rethought in terms of function and energy efficiency.
- Request to try and get the chimes to play again.
- Install up-to-date digital hearing assist devices in the Sanctuary.
- Investigate the carpenter ants colony in the corner of the Church.

Medium Priority

- Construct a new west entrance (from parking lot) to the second floor office area.
- Develop appropriate lighting and security measures (i.e., monitors) for the facility, especially the preschool and infant care.
- Renovate and update such areas of the Church as the office spaces, hallways, restrooms, Sunday school rooms, closets / storage spaces (i.e., new windows, flooring, paint.)

Lower Priority

- Provide a shower area for visiting / traveling groups (i.e., youth groups) and a laundry (washer/dryer) service area.
- Consider installation of a Columbarium or/in combination with a “Garden of Remembrance” on the Roosevelt side of the Church.