OPPORTUNITIES TO GIVE

We are two years into our three-year Capital Campaign to fund the Our Saviour’s building project. Thank you to all who have pledged and are giving to “Building for the Next Generation”! While the campaign has been a rousing success, there’s still more to accomplish! What can you do to help?

• If you can complete your commitment sooner than 2017, please do so. The more funds we have upfront, the smaller construction loan we need to take out, which saves the church interest payments.

• If you haven’t begun to give to the Capital Campaign yet, this is a great time to give, as your gifts can make a significant impact! Even after we complete our current $3.2 million project, there’s still additional work to do. Let’s get a good start on saving for a new parking lot, a new entrance canopy, landscaping, tuck-pointing, and a new peaked roof over the worship space.

• Please help furnish the renovated building! We still need tables and chairs and display monitors and more to furnish our renewed classrooms and gathering space. Stop by the display in the main entry, pick up a Memorial and Special Gifts brochure, and make a gift of any amount from $10 to $1000 to help furnish our new home.

Thank you for generous giving!

Timeline for Completion & Dedication

October 22/23 - New Gathering Space Complete and Open for Guest Artist Reception and coffee fellowship.


November 3 - Renewed Fellowship Hall complete (in time for the Global Market on Saturday, November 5).

November 16 - New adult education rooms (previously Rooms 1, 2, and 3) finished and open.

Dedication and Celebration of Project Completion - To be determined, but likely sometime this winter. Note: All dates are estimates subject to weather, inspections, or other unforeseen impactful events.
Building Committee Construction Update

Construction began on May 2 with the demolition of classrooms adjacent to the courtyard and the link connecting the worship space with the Fellowship Hall. Footings, foundation walls and floor slab installation followed for the new gathering space. New offices and administration areas were completed and occupied on August 8. Work continued in the Gathering Space with the installation of steel columns and beams. The structure was enclosed with storefront glass. Work is continuing with the installation of new HVAC and lighting, followed by drywall and flooring finishes. The room will be completed with installation of the skylights in late October.

Work in the link (east hallway) progressed with the building of the new wall and roof system, widening the link to double its original size. A second set of double doors were added to gain access to the worship space. New family restrooms, showers and laundry facilities were completed for use by our PADS guests.

Work started in the worship space on June 27 after VBS was finished. The organ and font were protected and the pews were removed to off-site storage. Existing tile and carpet was removed from the entire south wing including the worship space. Trenching of the floor was required to accommodate all of the cabling that is required to operate our new audio visual system. All existing lighting was removed. New lighting, speakers, screen, and projector were installed to support all types of worship in the renewed space, including the Praise Band, Choirs, Hand bells, Orchestra, and Brass Ensemble.

New flooring was installed throughout the entire south wing and the two existing restrooms were completely re-done. We moved into the renewed worship space on October 1.

During Phase 2, the entire flat roof area was removed and replaced, new HVAC units were installed, and the existing skylights were replaced. The Village of Arlington Heights Fire Marshal made a thorough inspection of our premises and required us to do some additional work that increased costs. Fortunately, we had anticipated unknowns, therefore these costs were covered with money estimated for contingencies.

Work started on August 9 on Phase 3 of the project in the new classroom area. A new roof-mounted HVAC unit was installed, demolition to enlarge the new classrooms was completed, and infrastructure to accommodate new audio visual components was installed. Work is continuing with drywall completion, painting, and flooring installation.

Work began on Phase 4 on September 25 with demolition and asbestos abatement beginning in the fellowship hall and meeting rooms. We hope the entire project will be complete by mid-November.

Work on the columbarium was delayed with the permit process in the village. However, the building permit was finally issued on September 28. Work can now proceed, and the columbarium structure and the landscaping will be installed in Spring, 2017.