



Building Project Update - March 2014

We have filed for our permit to build!

Build “what,” you say? The North Parish is about to begin a major building project that will bring all of our activities together under one roof. In late March we will demolish our existing Religious Education (RE) wing and replace it with a larger, fully accessible structure that will house our RE classes, office staff, and provide flexible programming space for internal and outreach programs.

As the target date for the project fast approaches, there are visible signs of preparation.

February:

Emptied the attic – Volunteers removed years of financial records, membership lists, old Messengers from the RE wing attic and sorted them for keep, shred, or recycle. Off-season RE program materials and supplies are also sorted and prepared for storage during the construction. Thank you to all who helped!

Trees removed – Arborists removed a number of dead, dying, and leaning trees and clear brush from the back garden slope.

People’s Pantry relocated – The space by the bulletin boards in the Parish Hall now stores groceries for the People’s Pantry bi-monthly food distribution.

RE tables/chairs moved to storage – Tables, chairs, and any other remaining items from the RE wing are in storage (Feb 28-Mar 1).

Construction meetings – Now occurring weekly, confirming details, progress check-ins.



March:

Mobilization – during the first week of March contractors will move playground apparatus and the garden shed aside to make room for equipment and supplies. Fencing will enclose the construction site.

Hazmat – early March, contractors remove vinyl asbestos tile from RE floors and cellulose insulation from the attic, at which point the RE wing is off limits.

Demolition – late March, contractors prepare to demolish the RE wing.

Is this “new” news to you? For more information, contact any member of the Building Task Force – Debb Putnam, Peter Calkins, Don Schemack, Michele Sherry; (advisor) Ron Zelle; or check “New Building Updates” posted on our church website under the tab Support Us: Capital Campaign.