

Trinity Feasibility Study Team Update

Our committee held its fourth meeting on July 19th at 5:30pm.

Roof: Steve shared the news of Trinity's financial settlement from our insurer to repair the roof (roof repair was not included in the capital campaign feasibility study because Trinity was pursuing a financial settlement from our insurer). The arbitrators decided that our insurance company will pay Trinity \$161,000! Once the public adjuster's fee and our deductible of \$2,500 are subtracted, Trinity will receive \$146,500 toward roof repair—an exceptional result given the fact that the insurer's original offer was just \$14,000. We thanked Steve for his persistence throughout the arbitration process, and Steve acknowledged Gary Veazie's early efforts. Steve has asked Andy Danielson to work with the roofer to draft plans that would complete the entire project at once, as well as a second, tiered option that would stage repairs over time by addressing the most critical needs first.

HVAC / Air Conditioning: Steve again summarized the proposals—both recommend systems that recycle air through filters, and provide heating and cooling. There is an initial extra cost for plumbing with these options but in the long run it will be more cost-effective for Trinity. The committee then moved into the Sanctuary and discussed possible configurations for installing the venting system, as well as replacing the residential-grade fans overhead with appropriate commercial capacity fans. Steve reminded us that Trinity will need to review the proposed plans and work with engineers and the city before proceeding. Regarding financing the project, Trinity recently received word of a generous unrestricted gift that may help to meet part of the project's cost, perhaps along with a matching gift challenge to members.

Summary: Our committee was tasked with review of Trinity's Capital Campaign Feasibility Study Report and to produce recommendations for projects that could be included in a capital campaign. We recommended from discussion in our first meeting that a capital campaign would not be necessary, a decision that has been confirmed with the favorable arbitration outcome for roof repair. Restoration of the chapel's stained-glass windows will await the results of a grant proposal in May 2023. HVAC / Air Conditioning may be addressed, once discernment is complete, by a recent gift combined with a matching gift challenge for members; details yet to be determined. Our committee has concluded that we will assist with communication as needed, but we do not need to meet again. The Vestry will review our recommendations and communicate their decisions to the congregation.

Our committee members were: Dale Anderson, Marge Bache-Wiig, Betty Bright, Tom Hughes, Steve Roman and Craig Schmidt.