

SANCTUARY REMODEL

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Q: Why is the Sanctuary being remodeled?

A: Our intention is to express reverence and ensure the well-being of God's sacred dwelling place, which includes God and God's people. The remodeling of the sanctuary aims to bring honor to God, magnify God's glory, and profoundly impact lives through an enriched encounter with worship, music, and the interpretation of God's Word.

Q: When is the Sanctuary being remodeled?

A: The remodeling project is set to begin on June 26th and is anticipated to be substantially completed by Labor Day.

Q: How is the Sanctuary remodel being funded?

A: In December of 2020, a portion of the funds generated from the sale of the 17-acre property was voted on and approved to be used towards capital projects that enhance our existing facility. Audio Visual upgrades, refurbishing of pews, etc. will enhance and expand our in-person worship experience and on-line ministry.

Q: What is being remodeled in the Sanctuary?

A: By Labor Day, the remodeling project aims to accomplish cosmetic enhancements, house lighting installation, and groundwork preparation for the theatrical lighting and sound system. However, even though worship will move back to the Sanctuary, the installation and fine-tuning of the theatrical lighting and sound system will require an additional six months. This extended timeline is necessary to account for the lead time required for system design and equipment procurement. Pews will be recovered with pew back cushions added, along with new chancel choir chairs, to provide comfort and acoustical sound absorption to assist with interpretation of the spoken Word.

- ADA upgrades will be made throughout the sanctuary. A lift will be installed making the chancel area ADA accessible, and those with disabilities will have room to worship with their families
- The entire sanctuary will be repainted and the floors replaced
- All lighting will be upgraded and/or changed to LED resulting in less power, less heat, and an overall brighter and cleaner look to give the A/V Ministry team the ability to enhance the production of all worship livestreaming as well as enhance the worship experience for those in attendance
- A new sound system and acoustical sound panels will be installed to aid in the interpretation of the spoken Word and overall sound quality in the Sanctuary
- Worship furniture and fixtures will be refinished as needed

Q: Where will traditional worship services happen during this time?

A: Both the 8:30 and 11:00AM traditional worship services will take place in the Upper Room, beginning July 2nd. Modern worship will continue at 9:45 in The Venue.

Q: Where is the Upper Room?

A: The Upper Room is on the 2nd floor at the south end of the church. There are two elevators (one on each end of the building) and multiple stairways available, along with directional signage throughout the building. Greeters will be available along the way to answer any questions you may have.

Q: Will the traditional worship services be available via livestream in the Upper Room?

A: Traditional worship services will not be accessible online throughout the months of July and August. However, the Modern worship service will continue to be livestreamed at 9:45 AM. You can tune in to the livestream at crumc.org/watch-live or on Facebook @custerroadumc.

Q: Are you collecting money (or funds) for the Sanctuary remodel?

A: No. Funds for this effort are coming from the sale of the 17 acres. Please refer to the FAQs on the 17 Acres Property Sale at crumc.org/somethingbigger.

