

# Behold Our Church.....Behold Our Future

First Presbyterian Church, Howell, Michigan

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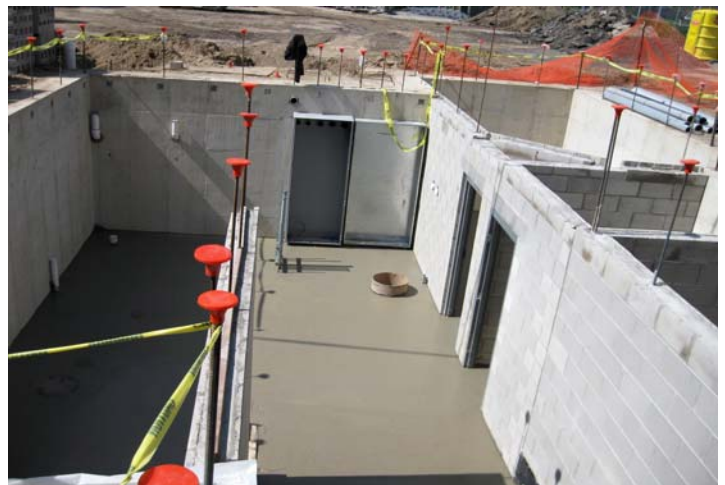


The goal in improving the physical structure of First Presbyterian Church Howell is to remove physical barriers and provide free access to our house of worship.. In Phase I of a three phase plan, we will:

- Expand the staircase to the sanctuary
- Add restrooms and a larger elevator
- Improve the audio/visual system in the sanctuary
- Add air conditioning to the sanctuary

## *Come Grow with Us!*

What a glorious summer at our church!! Removing a major wing from an historic structure is quite an undertaking, and workers have taken great care to protect our beautiful stained glass windows. Much of the demolition required a delicate touch, and we thank you for your prayers for the safety of the work crews. The basement walls of the new wing have been poured, and topped with a pre-cast concrete floor. Masons will appear to construct walls for the first floor, and then the second floor will be placed on top. Air conditioning equipment has been installed, and you'll notice signs throughout the sanctuary that a cool breeze will soon be felt. Audio equipment has been delivered, and we will install a fantastic loop-around system for our hearing-impaired members. Our new west-side parking lot entrance gives us room for a lovely greenspace area to enjoy the outdoors together. This building project has given us many opportunities to come together as a church family: painting, sorting, planting, praying, laughing, and so much more. When we've called for your help, you answered with an eager "What do you need?" This is an exciting time for our church and thanks to **your** time, talents and treasure, soon we'll be able to offer worship and learning opportunities, and host events that are accessible and welcoming to all who wish to enter.



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