



# CHAPEL OF THE CROSS

## EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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*Welcoming the stranger,  
nurturing one another,  
and guided by the Holy  
Spirit, the Chapel of  
the Cross strives to live  
the mission of Jesus  
Christ through prayer,  
traditional liturgy,  
Christian education,  
active outreach, and love  
of all God's creation.*  
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April 24, 2017

Chapel Friends,

In my last letter to you about our new worship space, I discussed the Vestry's approval in February of a revised scope for the project, including a 400-person capacity worship space with a Children's Chapel/multipurpose space, a sacristy, and restrooms, with additional sidewalks, parking lots, and road capacity as necessary for access to the buildings. The architects are working with these needs and have entered the design development stage, which will further define the plans for the space. If we remain on track with our timeline, the architects can produce Contract Documents in the late summer/early autumn that we can use to solicit bids for the construction of our new space. We still hope to worship in this new space on Easter Sunday 2019.

In March the Vestry created a new subcommittee, creatively named the Building Committee, to help make decisions about design details, materials, furnishings, and other issues that may arise as the project continues, with the Chair, Amy Barker, communicating the Committee's recommendations to the architects and/or Vestry. The Vestry will still remain involved in financial decisions. Building Committee members are also available to members of the parish to answer questions, listen to concerns, and relay comments. When assembling the members of the Committee, the Vestry wanted folks with specific experience and particular talents, such as commercial construction, engineering, project management, architecture, accessibility, music, liturgical arts, and Children's Chapel, among others, as well as longtime and newer members reflective of our growing parish. We have an abundance of gifted folk at the Chapel and I am so very excited that these folks have agreed to serve on the Building Committee:

Amy Barker, Chair  
Ben Robertson, Rector  
Shirley Abney  
Katy Breaux  
David Cato  
Clay Eckerson  
Julie & Russ Markle  
Whit Rayner  
Cheryl Welsh  
Bob Williams  
Jon Woodward

Please keep them and their work in your prayers. Also, keep your eyes on this new page on our website: <http://chapelofthecrossms.org/news-and-events/new-building/> for updates on this process. This is a very exciting time at the Chapel and I am very grateful for all those who give in so many ways. May God continue to bless you and your family in this joyous Easter season and I look forward to seeing you at the Chapel.

Keep the Faith,

The Rev. Ben Robertson