

CHRIST CHURCH BUILDING COMMITTEE MONTHLY UPDATE

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“Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying, ‘This is the way; walk in it.’” Isaiah 30:21

Dear Christ Church and Christ Church School Community,

As summer continues, we are grateful for the many ways God is at work in the life of Christ Church and Christ Church School. From investing in students through scholarships to exciting campus renovations and welcoming new leadership, we have much to celebrate.

Building Committee Update

We are grateful to share that the Church Conference on July 13 approved the next phase of the Christ Church School Middle School Project by a vote of 21–1 (95.5%). This approval includes the final renovation and design layout, current cost estimate, financial plan, and the Building Committee's recommendation. It also allows the project to continue moving forward responsibly with the internal construction bridge loan structure and the oversight measures reviewed by the appropriate church, school, finance, building, and district committees.

This marks another significant milestone for Christ Church and Christ Church School. The project will create purpose-built middle school classrooms and learning spaces within the Life Enrichment Center while enhancing shared church and school facilities, including gathering spaces, student support areas, music and rehearsal space, ADA-compliant restrooms, and other shared ministry spaces.

Renovations are progressing smoothly, and the transformed spaces are already taking shape. We are thrilled with the progress and can't wait to welcome students and families back to campus to experience all that is to come. We are thankful for the thoughtful questions, careful planning, and broad support throughout this process. Most of all, we are grateful for the opportunity to invest in a project that strengthens Christ Church School as a ministry of Christ Church and supports students, families, and our church community for generations to come. The Building Committee will continue to provide updates as the project moves into the next phase of planning, pricing, permitting, and construction preparation.

Investing in the Next Generation

Christ Church is proud to support students as they pursue higher education while continuing to grow in their faith. This year, Christ Church awarded \$78,800 in scholarships to eight outstanding students. These scholarships will help students attending Cardinal Gibbons High School, Belmont University, the University of Central Florida, and the University of Florida, supporting Christian-focused initiatives alongside their academic studies. We are incredibly blessed to encourage these students as they continue their educational and faith journeys. Congratulations to each scholarship recipient!

Beginning September 15, additional scholarship opportunities will become available for application. We encourage eligible students to apply and take advantage of this wonderful ministry.

Thank you from Christ Church

America's 250th Birthday Celebration was a tremendous success! It was wonderful to see members of our church and school community come together for an afternoon of fellowship, celebration, and fun. Thanks to the incredible generosity of our supporters, the silent auction raised more than \$30,000 to support the ministries of Christ Church. Thank you to everyone who attended, volunteered, donated, and helped make this event so memorable!

Welcome, Pastor Jad!

We are delighted to welcome Pastor Jad Denmark and his family to Christ Church! Pastor Jad is returning to Christ Church after previously serving on staff as Director of Student Ministries from 2002–2005. His wife, Shelly, also taught right here at CCS! He is passionate about helping people encounter the love of Jesus Christ, grow in their faith, and discover a community where everyone belongs. Before returning to Christ Church, Pastor Jad served for fourteen years in pastoral leadership at St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Orlando. He and his wife, Shelly, have been married for more than twenty-five years and have three children. We are excited for this new season of ministry and invite you to join us in giving Pastor Jad and his family a warm Christ Church welcome!



Looking Ahead

As we continue through the summer, we are reminded that God is faithfully preparing us for all that lies ahead. Whether through investing in students, expanding opportunities through the Middle School project, improving our campus, or welcoming new leadership, Christ Church continues to live out its mission of sharing Christ's love and transforming lives.

Thank you for your continued prayers, generosity, and support of the ministries of Christ Church and Christ Church School. We look forward to seeing everyone soon as we begin another exciting school year together!



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