

April 28, 2021 Daily Church Email

Just a review of information sent on Friday with a couple of clarifications underlined concerning the congregational meeting on Sunday....

Have a blessed day in Christ,

Pastor Julie

Claiming Our Past, Building Our Future

After nearly a decade of visioning, discussion groups, and planning, the Session is ready to present to the congregation conceptual sketches and budget as prepared by Point Builders. The primary purpose of this project is to expand the church's presence and ministry in our community bringing recreational ministries to the forefront of the church's programming. It allows for modern facilities and ground level accessibility. It has a multi-purpose space that is the size of an elementary basketball court/full size volleyball court. It includes storage, bathrooms, a kitchen, and an entry with stairs and a lift to current church upper and lower levels. It has a drop off awning, a portion of the parking lot to be paved, a new septic system for the entire church, and a new gravel parking lot on the south side. It will be for the community a model of sports, youth, and family ministries as well as a place for singles of all ages. A legacy for the next generation given by the current generations of believers.

Please review and prayerfully consider. The Session has called a congregational meeting on May 2 after worship (about 10:15 a.m.) to present the building expansion proposal and then take the congregational vote to proceed with fundraising and construction. Access to church members and guests will be in person (sanctuary, lower level, church living room, and outdoors by FM broadcasting outside) as well as by Zoom video conference:

Join Zoom

Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84712137959?pwd=KzNHWjhINERGRkFnbmNkSOErOXEwZz09> Meeting ID: 847 1213 7959 Passcode: 562572 By telephone: 312-626-6799 US (Chicago) Meeting ID: 847 1213 7959 Passcode: 562572

Each church member present--either online or in person-- will be counted in attendance and able to vote.

Ballots for in person attenders will be on paper (online will be by one log in per member. You will have one vote by clicking on the motion vote at the time the question is called), and majority will rule.

Motion on table: I vote that First Presbyterian Church near Ely should proceed with fundraising and construction of the building expansion project at a proposed cost of \$1,100,000.

- o Yes, I vote in favor of the motion.
- o No, I vote in apposition of the motion.
- o Abstain, I abstain from voting yes or no on the motion.

To see plans, follow link on church webpage: elypres.org

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