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Those not yet here....

As a caring congregation, we pray for each other as well as for “those not yet here.” Praying, listening, and inviting - all help bring people into the love of God. Are we ready to take it to the next level?

Together we can design a building for “ministries not yet here.”

Kairos 2040 is all about projecting our future mission as a church. How will we gather, grow, and go in the coming decades? How do we create facilities that facilitate? As soon as an architect is hired (early January) we'll be able to sift and winnow through realistic design possibilities. Listening sessions over these past two months have primed the pump – helped us to articulate our hopes, dreams, fears, and questions. Please continue this conversation in future listening sessions, scheduled monthly. In the meantime, think about our three G's.

GATHER

The future most certainly includes gathering for worship. Proclaiming the Word and praising through music are highlights of every Sunday at CPC. The great intimacy of worshipping God occurs both in personal (perhaps solitary) and corporate (united) settings. Gathering in large or small fellowship groups also helps build intimacy with each other. What a difference Soul Café makes in our between-service community! So we expect our architects to help us realize how best to use our worship and gathering spaces. As members have expressed concern about the Sanctuary

in particular, this area will require special care.

GROW

Spiritual growth throughout the cycle of life is also essential to faith. We can serve others best if we continue learning as adults, create learning environments for our children, and become a welcoming place for seekers. Our updated wall of children's portraits speaks love in a universal language. We hunger for more ways to honor youth and to support those raising them. Integrating new (and visible!) education spaces into our building and grounds will encourage our growth and invite others to grow alongside us.

GO

Our architects will help us visualize and realize many goals, but how we “go”—how we make a difference in the world—will depend on how quickly we move beyond our building issues into our mission. As David Misenheimer (our consultant and guide) says, “The church doesn't exist for the people already here.” Strategic actions for going into the community and the world as God's people may include new programs and leadership.

The days ahead promise more discussions, designs, and deliberations — all part of a journey toward those many individuals and future ministries not yet here.

**Kairos Listening Session Notes
from December 11, 2011:**

Seventeen members of the CPC congregation joined Joe Hudson for an informal review of our Kairos moment in our congregation's life to imagine and prepare CPC for worship, welcoming and education over the next 25 years.

A number of vibrant, coherent suggestions were offered and received as Hudson gave an overview to the Kairos Steering Committee's purpose and activities to date.

- How is the Kairos Steering Committee working through the unknowns of the next 25 years?
- How does the Kairos Steering Committee determine those CPC features worth preserving vs elevating or renovating?

•Are there similarities amongst those who attend the different services that unify us in our esteem for the Sanctuary, for the pursuit of highest achievement in performance of sacred music, for the evolving sense of place as CPC increases its efforts to initiate and host meaningful actions throughout each week of the year?

•Will the Kairos Steering Committee engage its consultant to preach before each Service sometime during his consultancy? (NOTE: Pastor David Misenheimer has gracefully accepted our offer to give his sermon to both services on January 29, 2012.)

•Will the Kairos Steering Committee use the website and other means to maintain the highest level of appropriate transparency to the Kairos 2040 process?

The discussion lasted an hour. The Kairos Steering Committee agrees by way of its Kairos Communication Team (Scott Wilson, Chuck Zeisser and Joe Hudson) to promote the building a clear understanding for Kairos 2040 through an iterative process of questions and answers by use of additional Listening Sessions, the CPC website and other means as required.

Next Kairos Listening Session: January 15 after the Congregational Meeting.

Kairos 2040 Timeline – Where are we now, January 2012?

January 3. Conduct interviews with three candidate firms for Architect to partner with CPC on Concepts & Budget for Kairos 2040.

Three candidate firms to be interviewed:
Groth Design Group, Inc, Cedarburg, Wisconsin
Hoffman LLC, Appleton, Wisconsin
Strang, Inc, Madison, Wisconsin

Members of CPC who will interview three candidate firms:
Bob Sorensen Eugenia Brown
Fred Peterson Doug Madsen
Helena Vander Ark Dale Chapin
Doug Madsen Jake Germann
Jean Cowden Bob Currell
Carol Quintana Joe Hudson

January 4. Select architectural firm for Kairos 2040 Concepts project.

Announce selection and publish on cpccmadison.org after calling and speaking to each of the three candidate firms.

January 9. Meet with selected architectural firm.

Review Kairos 2040 intent and timeline as well as determine agreement form between CPC and architectural firm.

January 10. Conclude Agreement form between CPC and architectural firm.

January 17. Develop Concepts & Budgets Outline with architectural firm.

Architectural firm will have 30 days to prepare before submitting on February 27.

**Upcoming
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Listening
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January 15
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