



Capital News
Capital Campaign Committee
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Caring for God's House - Together



NOTE: Sept. 17 is one of those fantastic moments to celebrate RRPC! Come for the food and stay for the program celebrating the First Year of the Capital Campaign. The incredible folks of RRPC have promised over \$300K towards the \$400k goal! Let's celebrate after worship on 9/17!

**Project info with Mike
Bushma**

From Pastor Kathy...

It seems like a long time ago that the Project Management Team stood up at a congregational Town Hall and shared about the first project of our capital campaign: the installation of the HVAC units (heating and air conditioning) for the narthex, offices, fellowship hall and library, as well as a new roof. I wasn't sure that I really remembered all that was said. So I sat down with Mike Bushma, chair of our Project Management Team to talk. I had my own curious questions as well as wanting to know how to plan ahead for church life. I thought I'd share some of what we talked about.

About the Challenges of this kind of work now as opposed to pre-pandemic: The supply chain is a newer challenge. Before we would not have waited six months for equipment to arrive. (A new energy code has also affected the arrival of these units.) So getting what we need takes longer overall. There is a labor shortage for the construction industry just as with other places. And prices for products have gone up a good deal. We are starting to see some stabilization in this area, but nothing we can really count on continuing. Thus overall costs are higher, and it is harder to make good judgements on what costs will be.

When are the new units expected? Sometime between the end of October and the end of November.

How the project will unfold: Nothing can start until the new HVAC units arrive. Once they are here, we have to coordinate the efforts of the roofing people and the installers of the new units. Here are the steps that have to be taken:

1. The existing units have to be removed and the duct work that goes with them.
2. Remove the roof curbs (the part of the roof that serves as the platform for the units). The current roof curbs are not the right size for the new units.
3. Put on the new roof curbs and the new roof.
4. Install the new units and duct work.

Because the roof work requires the removal of the old units, it cannot be done until the new units are ready to be installed. This requires quite the coordination between the two vendors!

How long will we be without heating/air conditioning in the building? Hopefully no more than about a week- but of course, like all things this is weather contingent!

Will the new units be more efficient? Yes! Not only that, but with the new duct work we will be losing less cold/hot air to the great outdoors! Of course how much savings we see will depend on how stable our energy costs stay.

It sounds to me like we will have something for which to celebrate this holiday season!
Journeying with you,
Pastor Kathy

Bingo Results!!!

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***Unless the Lord builds the house, the builders labor in vain." Psalm 127:1
Thank you for your support!***

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