



Seminary Chapel Renewal

A project of \$1.8 million urgently needed to

- Begin timely conversion of costly, failing steam system to geothermal heating and cooling
- Make the chapel safer and more accessible for all
- Preserve the chapel's valuable musical instruments
- Refurbish walls, pews and flooring

Built in 1942, the Church of the Abiding Presence was a bold turn in Gettysburg Seminary's consciousness, facing westward toward its new mission frontiers.

The highest profile space of the Seminary is this chapel, visible from miles away on Seminary Ridge. It serves as its premier classroom and is its largest venue for public lectures and gathering spaces. It supports daily worship and the education of tomorrow's preachers.

Preservation

Components of the century-old central steam system and the 70 year-old heating systems of the chapel are beyond their expected life-cycles. The new system will operate at a much higher efficiency and reduce the dependency on increasingly expensive fossil fuels.

Moreover, a geothermal heating and cooling system will prevent deterioration of the organ, piano and harpsichord by stabilizing (for the first time) the humidity levels in the chapel.

Congregations and individuals can become wellsprings on campus by sponsoring the drilling of a geothermal well. Approximately 30 wells are necessary, and each well costs roughly \$5,000 to drill.

Accessibility, Safety, and Comfort

Visitors know the challenge of entering the building and finding adequate rest-room facilities. This renovation includes an elevator, with access to expanded and fully *ADA compliant* restrooms on the lower level. *ADA compliant* main entrances and lobby improvements will make it safer and easier to enter for any persons with physical challenges.

Better heating and cooling, coupled with safety of entry and movement within the building, plus adequate restrooms will set the stage for the final renewed finishing touches. The necessary painting and pew resurfacing will also feature an upgraded flooring surface to enhance the sound of the organ, piano and overall acoustical performance.

Gifts and pledges made by June 30, 2011 will be matched dollar for dollar by the bequest from a generous benefactor.

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Naming opportunities

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| Accessible parking | \$500,000 |
| Elevator | \$225,000 |
| Choir Room | \$100,000 |
| New Restrooms on lower level Each of two | \$75,000 |
| Narthex/Lobby | \$50,000 |
| Common Area (undercroft level) | \$50,000 |
| Green Room/Bride's Room | \$50,000 |
| Interior work New flooring | \$40,000 |
| New electronic chapel sign promoting events | \$20,000 |
| ADA ramp | \$20,000 |
| Main doorway | \$10,000 |
| One geothermal ground well Each of 30 | \$ 5,000 |