



# NOTES & BOLTS



## Renovation Committee Tidbits

August 2019

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**Financing-** Work is well underway to secure the financing loans with the Synod. The previous Notes & Bolts outlined the amounts and types of loans for which we have applied. To view that report please visit the WPC website. The Synod has informed us that the loans have been approved and Scott Bray is working to complete all required filings to “activate” the loans so that we can draw funds when needed.

**Value Engineering-** this is the work by the contractor, architect and Renovation Committee to find ways to reduce the cost of the project. As of July 15, changes have been proposed that could reduce estimated construction costs by as much as \$60,000. There still may be other construction cost increases as we proceed with the planning. In any case, we will continue value engineering in hopes of reducing the shortfall between the construction costs and the amount pledged, thereby reducing the church’s debt burden. To learn how you can help support this effort please see the ‘How YOU can Support the Renovation Project’ flyer on the bulletin board.

**Quiet Room-** The current renovation plan includes creating a Quiet Room (sometimes referred to as ‘cry room’) where parents and young children can watch and hear the service from a private room adjacent to the Sanctuary. The architect found a way to honor the congregation’s wishes to have a room that is next to and directly viewing the sanctuary. Please see the updated plans for more details.

**Logistics-** Tod Moody is hard at work on the logistics for the construction project. Highlights include the delivery of the preschool modular unit by mid-August and securing office space for the staff at Redwoods Presbyterian Church in Larkspur. We will hire a moving company to move furniture and materials either to the staff temporary offices at Redwood Presbyterian or to a storage facility. If you would like to volunteer to help pack, please let Tod know. Information will follow about the timing of the staff move and the impact of the modular units on parking.

**Interior Design and Landscape-** Jo Cooper and Ann West are working closely with the architect as they start the interior design process. This includes kitchen appliances, furnishings, color palate and much more. Ann has also agreed to help with the landscaping plan and will be trying to find ways we can ‘save’ some of the current foliage in front of the Narthex (would anyone like to take home a full-grown Magnolia tree or two?)