

## **Spirit & Space Team Report – November 2018**

Session charged the Spirit & Space Team to determine how CPC can continue to be a welcoming community through empowering the structural, visual, and practical design of the space we call our church home. Check out our **Spirit & Space link on CPC's Web site** to access past *Tydings* articles and other information. We want to keep you informed of our progress!

In October's *Tydings*, we discussed highlights – specifically affirmations and observations – of a Generosity Climate Report prepared by a professional consultant with Generis, with whom the church has now signed a contract. This month we share with you some **opportunities for generosity growth** identified in that report.

- **FINANCIAL:**
  1. Develop new giving units by educating existing members who could regularly give more, and by bringing new members into CPC.
  2. Celebrate first-time givers by acknowledging this significant moment in their pilgrimage with CPC.
  3. Make it easy for CPC givers to understand, “Because you gave, here is what happened.”
  
- **COMMUNICATION:** Tell CPC's story in such a way that touches hearts and encourages members and givers, especially younger and newer members, to participate generously.
  
- **REPORTING STRATEGIES:** Include messages/information with CPC's contribution statements mailed quarterly to givers, that consistently reinforce the mission and vision of our church and the impact CPC is having in the community/world.

In the next edition of *Tydings*, we will explore more identified opportunities for generosity growth.

The Spirit & Space Team had also previously informed you of engaging a firm for architectural services, yet to be fully defined... Perspectus Historic Architecture, Chambers, Murphy & Burge Studio. In the coming weeks architects Elizabeth Murphy and Lauren Burge from that firm will meet with several members of CPC's ministries. In those meetings, in their efforts to get to know us better, they will review our Spirit and Space objectives and gain first hand insight into the good work happening here at CPC.

Then on November 18<sup>th</sup>, the entire congregation is invited to participate in a "charrette" following the 10:30 AM Sunday service. This is a group session of design used as a means of gathering thoughts and ideas in a short period of time...the architectural equivalent of brainstorming. Elizabeth and Lauren will lead us through a fun, productive, and hopefully inspiring session of hands-on church space design time.

WE, the members of the Spirit & Space Team are looking forward to seeing YOU, the people of CPC at this event.

The Spirit & Space Team