



One Church – Two Locations



SHAWNEE CAMPUS EXPANSION *Fact Sheet*

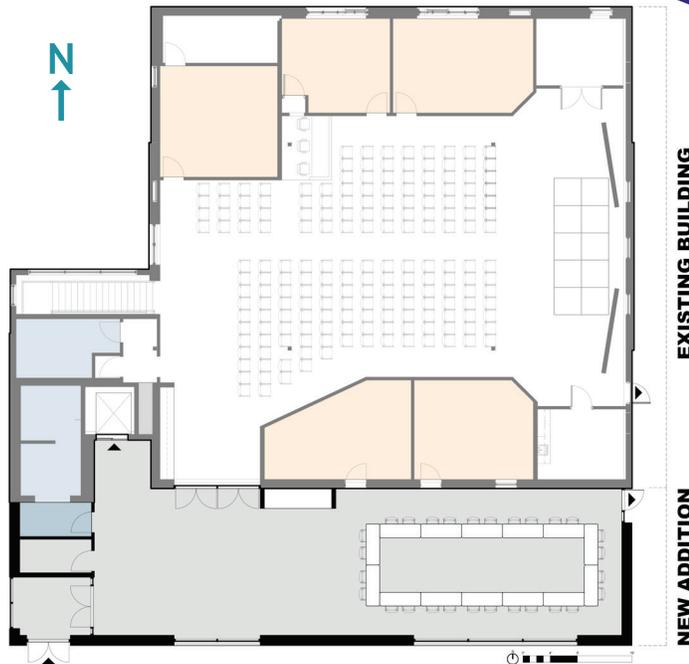
GROWTH AT OUR SHAWNEE LOCATION

Twenty years ago, Trinity expanded its ministry to the Shawnee area, meeting first in a school and then in a store front, before purchasing and remodeling the current facility near Shawnee Mission Parkway and Monticello Road. Our ministry has thrived, bringing a flow of new families to our community. In 20 years, attendance has grown significantly at this location, pushing the limits of its capacity. Sunday services, Sunday School, preschool and other activities all have seen considerable increases in participation. Prior to the pandemic, attendance at Sunday services regularly exceeded the number of people who could be accommodated comfortably in our church sanctuary. Beginning in 2018, church leaders recognized this trend and started conversations about how to foster our growth at this location.

CHALLENGES AT SHAWNEE

- The small sanctuary limits the number of worshippers to about 130 who can comfortably attend services. Prior to the pandemic, we routinely reached our capacity for weekly worship.
- Parking space is limited in a manner consistent with the sanctuary capacity.
- The lack of a gathering space hinders the opportunity for worshippers to interact and socialize before and after services.
- Sunday School participants use the preschool rooms for class, forcing fourth- and fifth-grade students to use preschool-sized furniture.
- Noise from different groups makes it difficult to use the sanctuary and the side rooms at the same time.
- The lack of an elevator restricts access between floors for people with limited mobility.

Rendering of Shawnee Campus Expansion



OUR VISION for Shawnee

Room for more families at Sunday services, more children at Sunday School, more opportunities for the faithful in the Shawnee area to grow in God's grace and love – that is the vision for the Shawnee campus. Church leaders have re-examined options and developed a plan to address many pressing needs by building an addition on the south side of the existing Shawnee campus building. Key features and benefits of this plan include the following:

- More usable space in the sanctuary for worship seating (capacity increased to 180).
- Ample parking for all activities.
- Increased accessibility to both levels by adding an elevator.
- Gathering and socializing space outside of the sanctuary in a new lobby.
- A large, open space for meals, Sunday School, and preschool large motor activities, midweek Bible studies, and more.
- Additional, relocated bathrooms on the main level.
- Scope of plan fits current financial realities while allowing for future expansion as needed.

OUR NEXT STEP

We are considering a capital campaign to fund the project. This campaign would be conducted with the help of the Steier Group, a national fundraising firm. We will be discussing this proposed project over the next few weeks and seeking approval at the Congregational Assembly on January 31. We look forward to receiving your input.