

ELEVATOR/PARKING PROJECT OCTOBER UPDATE

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We have a working elevator! Although some door parts are yet to be delivered, the platform and elevator box are installed and go up and down. Similarly, we are awaiting crucial parts for the roof and the masonry, which are otherwise here and ready to install. Once they arrive, you will see the exterior shape up fairly quickly. The exterior trim is in place and scheduled to be painted soon. When the painters return, they will complete the unfinished pressure washing of our tile roof. (Have you noticed how nice the cleaned part looks?) Meanwhile, on the inside, the electrical rough-in work is proceeding quickly in the elevator lobbies, restroom, and the multipurpose room above the portico. Plumbing rough-in will start next, then drywall. We are preparing what Pastor Holly likes to call “the upper room” to be a flexible space for use as a meeting room, classroom, chapel/worship overflow, family use during weddings and memorial services, fellowship, etc.

Supply problems related to COVID are currently a fact of life for all big construction projects, but our crew is doing a great job of working around the problems and keeping the overall project on schedule to be completed by early March of 2022. However, the need to keep some heavy equipment on site has delayed paving of the parking lot until the upcoming cold weather season has passed and asphalt is again in production in the spring. The extra time before paving will actually allow more complete settling and compaction of the surface and give us a better, longer lasting parking area in the long run.

As always, if you have questions or ideas, don't hesitate to get in touch with me or a member of the EPP Team.

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