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Re: Hopewell Presbyterian Church – “Making Connections” project

Dear Andy:

On behalf of Hopewell Presbyterian Church and the Building Committee, I want to thank you for your fine work on our renovation project that included a new Welcome Center and accessibility improvements.

As you know, the budget was incredibly tight and the project was very challenging as it involved work on various levels and locations in our building complex. The goal was to make the complex fully accessible and more welcoming so that the Church could be more effective in its mission to the larger community.

The way you worked with our architect, Ronnie Bregenzer, and the Church with careful value engineering and money saving suggestions helped us to achieve the project budget at an appropriate level of quality. Your creative management skills allowed us to add a sprinkler system to the complex at an affordable cost which increased the safety of the entire complex while we made its components more connected and open.

You solved our difficult and persistent water infiltration issues at the lower levels of the building with a combination of site drainage, water proofing, re-grading, and sump pits. We have survived several major storms since the construction without any seepage. Finally, the changes in the lay out, the lighting, and the restoration of finishes in the Sanctuary has been admired and constantly used since the construction was completed and has been very successful.

We are all grateful to you and your team for delivering a great project at an affordable cost. While the project was modest in size, the effects were transformative in the Church and the community. Our committee thanks you for working with us so closely and productively.

Best,

Michael J. Mills, FAIA  
Co-Chair, Building Committee  
Hopewell Presbyterian Church