

Q&A

Improvements to the North Parish House Entrance



Preliminary rendering

Q. What is envisioned for the entrance?

- A. Proposed improvements to the north entrance which serves us seven days a week as a main door – would make it:
 - Fully compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and more accessible
 - Friendlier to enter and exit especially during bad weather, with the addition of a canopy
 - Equipped for remote opening, such as from the church office.

In addition, the entrance patio would be improved for easier maintenance.

Q. We put in an elevator at the north entrance a few years ago. Is this entrance not already in compliance with the ADA?

A. The elevator helped meet ADA standards. And although the entrance is technically accessible, it is difficult to open, particularly if you're in a wheelchair, use a walker or are navigating on crutches. The proposed improvements would enable opening the door with a push of a button.

Plus, on weekdays when the door is locked, no one likes to wait outside after ringing the bell for someone to come open the door. So it will be equipped for remote opening. Finally, the lighting by the north entrance is inadequate, so that will be remedied.

Whom should I contact with questions or concerns about the campaign and the building improvements?

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