

Building Our Future – Beyond Ourselves

Our congregation imagines a future building and grounds that expresses our values in its very structure, and its purpose being beyond ourselves. Through surveys and forums, our church consistently shared their belief that our current space creates many obstacles to fully living our values. The hopes they shared were rooted in our mission statement:

To be a welcoming, compassionate community that nurtures spiritual growth and practices justice.

Welcome and Compassion

- *A space committed to compassion and accessibility that is more natural than an accommodation, including gender-neutral bathrooms and easy wayfinding for a diversity of mobility and sensory needs. This includes spaces that are connected, inviting, and inspirational.*

Community and Spiritual Growth

- *A space that is intended for use beyond ourselves. This includes spaces that are easily utilized by the wider community as a catalyst for conversation, learning, service and the arts. This includes flexible space to nurture spiritual growth through rites of passage, fellowship, and community service.*

Practicing Justice

- *A space that is deeply connected with the natural world. This includes an eco-justice focus with sustainable utilities and land stewardship, connection to nature with windows and natural light, and outdoor green space for learning, spiritual practice, communal gardening, social events, and play!*