

WELCOME CENTER / CHAPEL HALLWAY

What was here before the renovation?

- Along the Welcome Center and the Chapel Hallway were large coat racks (garde-robres)
- Information tables in front of the coat racks were filled with brochures, hearing equipment and other worship and information materials
- One small elevator was in the corner of the Welcome Center
- Four Booth stained glass windows from our former church on Connecticut Avenue were in the wall where the new elevators are now.

What's changed?

Chapel Hallway:

- Coat racks removed, new furniture in place
- New doors and sidelights with sound insulating glass between Chapel Hallway and Welcome Center can be closed if needed to minimize sound bleed between Chapel and Sanctuary
- New fire alarm system installed; main annunciator / control panel installed immediately inside exterior entrance for easy access by emergency personnel
- *COMING SOON:* Booth windows are being restored offsite and will be installed on the Chapel Hallway wall and back lit to better reveal the windows' beauty; a video screen will be mounted at Chapel Hallway entrance to provide direction and location information; wall way-finding signage.

Welcome Center:

- Old elevator and coat closets removed, Welcome Center greatly enlarged
- New furniture and carpets; mounted Information Rack, terrazzo installed in new areas
- Two(!) new large elevators, alcoves on both sides of elevators overlook new entrance and wash Welcome Center in added natural light
- New doors to our enlarged upper plaza
- *COMING SOON:* Video screen by elevator will provide meeting room information; large video Screen in Welcome Center will display upcoming events; wall wayfinding signage.

Interesting tidbits:

- A large portion of the ceiling had to be removed to reroute ductwork in the overhead.