NEW SECOND FLOOR LOBBIES

What was here before the renovation?

Central Stairs Lobby:
- The Stone Hall stage ceiling! On each side of the stage was a staircase that allowed passage from the Stone Hall level up to the Sanctuary.
  - The north side of the building featured the old elevator, so congregants had an option to take the elevator to the second level (former Mezzanine level) to reach classrooms.
  - The south side of the building did not have an elevator. The only way to reach the former Pastor’s Study on the Mezzanine level was via stairs. Most people did not even know this area was there!

Elevator Lobby:
- The current, large lobby by the elevator was mostly part of former meeting rooms 110-111.

What’s changed?
- When the former stage was removed, structural steel framing was installed to enable a concrete floor connecting the former north and south mezzanines. Now all areas of the 2nd level are accessible.
- The new expanded 2nd floor influenced the design to fill in the old storage area creating the new Library, Restrooms, and Storage area (See Summary 8).
- The removal of the stage also enabled the Central Stairs to be constructed (See Summary 4).
- The new mezzanine floor also stretches over our existing mechanical rooms and connects to our new Garden Rooms (see Summary 6).
- The large lobby by the two new elevators is next to the kitchenette, which was completely renovated to accommodate the coffee needs on the new second level.
- COMING SOON: Area rugs (matching those in the Welcome Center) will be placed on the second level central stairs lobby to minimize sound and to prevent slipping on our new floors. Video screens will be installed in both lobbies and signage will be added.

Interesting tidbits:
- Fire code requirements mandated installing fire doors to separate the central stairs lobby from the north and south wings, however we are able to keep the doors on ‘hold open’ status to enable easy access and clear sight lines on this level.