



ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL MASTER PLAN

1. Years 2026–2027 – **Enlarge West Parking Lot, remove Conference Center and Complete Targeted Church Repairs** – up to \$50,000
 - a. West Parking Lot Enlargement – Doubling the size of this lot will be required initially as a construction staging area and will serve as event parking upon construction completion. A base layer is proposed at costs of \$20,000± ahead of site preparation and razing the Conference Center.
 - b. Conference Center Removal (Raze Building and site preparation)
 - i. SFS costs cited 9/4/2025 – \$50,251
 - ii. Bid requested by SPLC 11/5/2025 – Earthworks Excavation & Associates LLC (Higginsville) – \$24,000
 - iii. Work completed by SPLC members – \$5000± (Landfill bills)
 - c. Targeted Church Repairs
 - i. Gutter repair – Critical repairs are needed regardless of Master Plan. Contacts with multiple contractors have been made. Costs start at \$4500 and range to \$10,000+ depending on amount of deterioration found.
 - ii. Electrical Upgrades – Replacement of primary breaker panel is needed as spare parts are no longer available. Coordination with SFS required for installing a new transformer to feed both the narthex and church buildings.
2. Years 2027–2028 – **Build Narthex Phase 1A** – \$5,700,000 with consideration for Phase 1B.
 - a. The 2024–2029 Ministry Plan objective is to create the space needed to facilitate the “reaching” in our “Preaching. Teaching. Reaching” Mission Statement—*in reach* (connecting with fellow members) and *outreach* (connecting with our community) to develop relationships for our ministries, to reconnect with members who do not frequently attend, and to forge connections with our neighbors.
 - b. The facility includes three new single-use bathrooms, a multipurpose suite (bride’s room, funeral families, meeting space), a church-to-narthex interconnector with ADA ramps (1”/ft), 1400 sq feet of open narthex space, a storage room, a coffee and welcome area, two entry vestibules, a covered car drop off in the alley, and a patio/courtyard.
 - c. The existing church north door will open into the narthex to church interconnector. The bottom portion of the two north windows between the north church door and the north tower will be partially removed with a 40” door replacing the lower half. Doing so, and keeping all brick in place, the structural integrity of the wall will be maintained. The stained glass removed will be integrated into the new structure.

3. **Build Phase 1B.** We don't have good cost numbers; likely similar to 1A. The Ministry Plan for 1B provides a 40' x 54' large fellowship hall for adult bible class, large membership/visitor gatherings, a bank of restrooms, a kitchen, additional altar guild space, and storage. Phase 1B will be built for integration with 1A and Phase 2.
4. **Construction of new Gymnasium** – Current consideration priority - Build a gym on the southeast portion of the Grade School block and transforming the “Ebers Field” (NE corner of 5th and Orange St.) into a parking lot for up to 65 cars.
 - a. Key Gymnasium Considerations:
 - i. Develop an expanded mission focus on how a larger gymnasium could serve our community, church, and school. A second story could facilitate a walking track, and a large stage area.
 - ii. Relocating from Main Street improves pedestrian safety and minimizes the risk of accidents.
 - iii. This location has ‘zero’ offset boundaries: we can build to the edge of the property on both Orange and 5th Street.
 - iv. Planning suggests two side-by-side grade school size basketball courts-oriented E–W with a high school size court would be marked in the N–S direction.
 - v. Appropriately sized restrooms and a kitchen would be included in the design.
 - vi. Footprint of the gym must allow for adequate green space to the north for outdoor play.
 - vii. Grant funding research is needed.
5. **Build Phase 2** – Church Offices and Classrooms.
 - a. Connect directly to Narthex 1B north end.
 - b. Move Church administrative staff to new offices which will also house additional restrooms, classrooms, and staff workspace to expand a variety of ministries.
 - c. Moving the staff out of the church office building space will allow the school to expand in ways yet to be determined and increase their visibility in the community.
6. **Replacement 1921 Grade School Building** (Current consideration priority) – Suggest replacing this 1921 building with two a story building having a larger footprint, extending towards Main Street and adjoining the south school building.
 - a. New construction would align the school buildings and a new gymnasium at the same elevation, mitigating a range of mobility issues and having long term benefits.
 - b. During demolition/construction, the new gymnasium, current church office and possibly the newly built Phase 2 addition could be used as temporary classroom space.
7. **Reimagine use of the 1957 Gymnasium and 1978 Church Office buildings/space.**

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