



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH NEVADA, IOWA

Location: Nevada, IA

End Date: December 15, 2006

Project Size: 5,290 SF

Budget: \$1,448,300

Project Description:

A Facility Assessment and Feasibility Study to address the efficiency and effectiveness of church staff, accessibility for all, and plans for future growth, formed the beginning for this project. A new grade level main entrance and lobby were added with elevator access to the six different levels of the current building, along with a new church office space.

Enlarging the chancel space allowed seating to be moved and expanded, providing a 25% increase in seating within the existing sanctuary. The existing balcony was completely removed and rebuilt further back in the sanctuary to make the worship space feel more spacious. A new narthex allows for overflow seating. Three dimensional computer modeling was used to work out the connection to the existing education wing and communicate the design to the congregation.

A new electronic organ was installed and new speaker enclosures were constructed within the original pipe chambers.

