

Crown Hill Mennonite Church Enjoys New Sanctuary

Originally built in 1936, Crown Hill Mennonite Church has seen many changes through the years. From multiple additions, small alterations and upgrades, to a tornado that ripped the roof off of the church in the 1950s, it has a storied history.

Our recent design-build project included alterations to the floor plan of the existing church, including two additional offices, renovation and expansion of the current church sanctuary and a two-story entranceway addition. Slightly over 3,200 square feet of area was renovated during the work.

Hidden above the old plaster ceiling of the sanctuary rested what would be the primary design feature of the renovated sanctuary. "When walking through the existing building during the preconstruction phase of the project, I was surprised to find well-preserved, planed wood laminated trusses in the attic," says Imhoff vice president Lisle Liston. The original rough cut trusses had been replaced with planed trusses after the tornado had destroyed the roof in the 1950s.

After demolition of the old church balcony and removal of the plaster ceiling, 2x6 ceiling joists were installed to carry the new drywall ceiling and the walls were furred out with metal studs and insulated. New drywall now replaced the church's old plaster walls. Double-paned argon-filled windows replaced the



The front of the newly remodeled Crown Hill Mennonite Church sanctuary.

existing drafty, single-pane units to further improve the energy efficiency. Finishing touches included the restoration of the laminated trusses, a newly constructed stage and sound booth, new carpet, modern light fixtures, restored pews and an air conditioning system, something the church had been lacking before the renovation.



A "before" picture of the sanctuary just after demolition had begun.

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ICS Green Project Receives Gold Certification

If you follow *Priority InCiteS*, you may remember Schmid Hall, our featured project in the Summer '09 issue. The 2,800-square-foot job was our first green project; the scope of work included the renovation of 2,600 square feet of existing building and a 200-square-foot addition consisting of a new coat room and vestibule.

The project was designed using many sustainable materials and design features, including a high efficiency HVAC system and energy efficient plumbing fixtures, low VOC paints and recycled building materials. Even the demolition debris was sorted and sent out for recycling.



The main entrance to Schmid Hall.

Since we wrote about the project, Schmid Hall has received LEED Gold certification from the U.S. Green Building Council, as well as being honored with a Green Building of America award. Congratulations to Domokur Architects, the project's designer, who submitted it for consideration. Schmid Hall will be featured in a special edition of *Real Estate & Construction Review – Midwest* that will highlight green success stories.



A view of the addition to Schmid Hall, which includes a new vestibule and coat room.



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