



UUFCCO NEW HOME STEERING COMMITTEE

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You've seen our new home starting from the first movement of dirt at the ground breaking, the two progress open houses and the many updates in the newsletter, ACE and UUFCCO website. Finally, February 2015 is the month when you'll be in our new home attending a service, a discussion group, choir practice or some other UUFCCO gathering. What a thrilling time in our UUFCCO history to be settling into a place we can truly call "home".

To get acclimated to the building and to better understand its feature functionality, after each service in February and the first few weeks in March there will be new home tours. You'll hear about the level of sustainability built into the design of the building and you'll see the many options for gatherings that we have had to schedule in members' homes, squeeze into the cottage or rent space elsewhere. Each of the rooms in our new home is named to honor UUs who have made a difference in their time. Their names are displayed outside each room.

We're moved in, but you'll see that there are a number of facets of the building that are not complete. Our contractor, Kirby Nagelhout Construction Company, will continue to finish their work and we'll manage to stay out of each other's way during that time. Although it was tempting to hold off the first service until everything was completed, the momentum to move in and enjoy the building exceeded that desire to have it in a state of total completion. We hope you take pleasure in seeing new things showing up each week and watching projects completed. It's our home!

Looking ahead, the new committees that are in place are already taking the front seat in activity and responsibility as we get settled and wrap our arms around the concept of being owners instead of renters. A burst of new energy is welcome as the Steering Committee and subcommittees wind down. There are so many people to thank who gave their time and expertise to make this project the success that it is. Not only those who were actively involved in the New Home Project, but also those who stepped up to volunteer with all the other congregational life duties during these past three plus years.

We can never forget the incredible generosity of the Lead Gift Family. It is only through this gift of land and financial gift that we were able to complete our capital campaign and make this a reality. We are poised to welcome many others in our community who are seeking a spiritual community much the same as each of us were in finding UUFCCO.

New Home Project Steering Committee: Dale Clark, Design Committee; John Coltman, Finance Committee; Don Hartsough, Capital Campaign Committee; Jerrie Jones, Secretary and Website Update Coordinator; Leslie Koc, Chair; (Dave MacGurn, Land & Site Committee - retired); Vernon Threlkeld, Construction & Technical Advisory Committee

You are welcome to send comments or questions to uufconewhome@gmail.com. We will respond to you directly and we'll share the answers in the FAQ section on the New Home page of the UUFCCO website.