

An update from the Director of Maintenance...

Last year, I gave the first “State of the buildings and grounds report” and addressed each of our buildings greatest needs, rather than addressing all of the needs of one in particular. At this time, I’d like to report on what the maintenance staff has accomplished.

We installed a management system for the boiler in the **Brant Beach Church**. After inspection, it was decided that a new boiler was not needed, even though parts are getting harder to order. Instead, a new temperature management system was installed to help save on heating costs. Energy efficient light bulbs were installed on all the exterior church lights, and we are in the process of replacing the bulbs on the exit and entrance signs of the parking lot. The interior church lights are also being replaced with more energy efficient bulbs, and the breakers have been redesigned. Some of the original exterior doors have also been rebuilt and painted. This project will continue. Repairs on the church hall roof, and its lobby, will be our next project. Also, the parking lot lines will be repainted later this spring.

The debris under the altar’s concrete deck in the **Surf City Church** has been cleared so we can better asses and monitor the beam under the floor. The front columns of the church have been replaced, and the doors refurbished. The **Beach Haven Church** will have its doors repaired later this year. **Central Supply** in Beach haven still needs the steeple repaired.

The **Community Center** has had a large portion of its roof repaired and/or replaced. The boiler was inspected by the manufacturer and found to be in good working order. A new temperature management system was installed to help lower heating costs. This year, we hope to change the burner systems in the boilers. We also hope to remove the unsightly non-working emergency response alarm on the south side of the building.

Extensive repair work needed to be done on the **Friary**, our oldest building. New plywood and flooring were installed in the kitchen. The damaged fireplace was converted to gas, and leaks throughout the house were repaired. Siding on the third floor was replaced with materials mandated by the Beach Haven Historical Society.

As you can be see, a lot of work has been done and a lot of work still needs to be done throughout the parish. Our team of five works hard to keep up. As funds are available, we will get to as many projects as we can. Thank you for your support and patience.

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