

## **Answers to Frequently Asked Questions About Our Church Building Expansion**

### **Where Do We Park and How Do We get Into the Church?**

We've had to exercise some flexibility during this exciting time of construction, but there IS parking and there ARE ways to enter the building.

The doors to the sanctuary are open all day.

To the right of the sanctuary, as you face the church, there is a door set in back of a garden.

That door takes you into the church into the hallway directly in front of the offices. Currently, a handicap accessible ramp is being built to this door and will be ready on August 8<sup>th</sup>.

Work has begun (the week of August 4<sup>th</sup>) on the rear/south entrance to the church. While the door in the south foyer will be open as an emergency exit, no vehicle access will be available to the rear parking lot.

There is parking availability along Potter Hill Rd. Peter Sawyer, who lives across the street, has offering parking space in front of his barn. And there is parking along the half circle in front of the church.

The new parking areas in the building plan will be open to us ASAP.

### **Is All the Normal Stuff Still Taking Place?**

Sunday morning worship continues at 9 am every Sunday (the 10:00 time will resume in September) and the Special Music provided during the summer has been outstanding. Coffee hours continue in the Fellowship Hall (as do all activities that normally take place there). The Summer Fair will take place, but on a slightly limited scale. No large items. There will not be a Live Auction, but there will be an online auction (see front page of website) that will culminate in a "live" silent auction in front of the church on August 23<sup>rd</sup>, OLD HOME DAY.

### **Why Did the Trees Have to Be Chopped Down?**

The diseased trees that have been removed from the front of the church will be replaced with appropriate plantings (after consultation with our landscaper). This will take place after the Summer Fair.

### **Where Will We Worship When the Sanctuary Is Being Expanded and Renovated?**

Beginning in January 2009, and through the anticipated completion of our project in May, 2009, we will worship at the Gilford Elementary School. Sunday School will also continue to take place in the classrooms of the school. (continued)

## **How Much Money Have We Raised Toward Our Goal?**

To date, just over \$300,000 has been pledged toward our goal of \$800,000.

If we can all be patient, it will all be well worth it in the end, when we will enjoy an expanded sanctuary and fellowship hall, and there will be a Gilford Youth Center for the entire community right in our yard!