



FBCT-Parkway Transition and Phase 1 Development Frequently Asked Questions

Briefly, what does Phase 1 encompass?

Based on building planning and financial capacity, Phase 1 includes a 400-seat worship center, a lobby/gathering area, secure classrooms for all kids and children's activities, and other supporting facilities. It also includes a youth room and four classrooms which will multi-function as adult Sunday School rooms and other small group meetings throughout each week. Additional parking and expanded detention ponds required for rainfall runoff control were also constructed.

How was the new Worship Center designed?

The Worship Center was planned with a flat floor and equipped with moveable chairs which can be interlocked or separated to encompass multiple seating arrangements (rows for worship services, banquet arrangements including tables, or other configurations for many different special events).

Both side walls include clerestory windows for natural light and are equipped with motorized shades for light control when needed. The ceiling is a painted, exposed metal beam design with lighting and suspended speakers typical of modern venues. The floor is carpeted (to maintain the acoustics of the room) with sectioned pieces that can be easily cleaned or replaced as needed.

The elevated stage is flat and sized with space for both praise team and choir members (utilizing moveable risers). Backstage includes a prep area for stage entrance, an ADA ramp, and an audio-video computer room.

How was security considered in the design plans?

The layout of the full Phase 1 building includes one main front entrance into the lobby/gathering area from the parking lot plus one supplemental entrance at the rear of the lobby. Therefore, all persons entering the facility must pass into and through the lobby area. A greeting/welcome desk will be present at the front and manned during Sunday morning service times. All the other exterior doors required by fire codes will be externally locked and can only be opened from the inside.

The children's/kids' hallway to their classrooms will have a secured doorway and a check-in desk for parents. Entry into the hallway, if needed, will only be by registered parents/guardians

During the week when no meetings are occurring, the facility will be normally locked even when staff are present. The front will be monitored from within by intercom/video cameras for entrance by visitors, as needed.

What does the Lobby/Gathering Area include?

The lobby is designed to create a very welcoming atmosphere to greet visitors, to stand and visit with friends, and be the intersection of all activities. It includes a welcome desk adjacent to the front doors, a coffee counter, and visual directions to all youth and adult classrooms, to the children's hallway check-in area, and to restrooms.

The lobby can also be used for small functions similar to a fellowship hall, such as lunches/banquets, craft workshops, and other small events.

Adjacent to this area is a "warming" kitchen for easy access/support to all areas and will contain coffee-making equipment, microwave(s), refrigerator(s), sink, ice maker, warming units, etc. This area was not designed for cooking nor will a stove be included due to additional fire & health code requirements.

What are features of the Children's areas?

The children's hallway is a secured area with classrooms, restrooms for kids, workroom/storage for teachers, and secured access to future fenced-in exterior play areas. For toddlers' classrooms, individual restrooms and sinks are present within each room to assist in training.

What might be the Sunday morning schedule? What about Adult classrooms and can the arrangement accommodate our current and future needs?

Classrooms for adults have been sized for seating 28 - 35 individuals. It is expected that our recent change to dual worship services and classes while we were still meeting at the Oxford Campus helped prepare us organizationally as we transition to the new Parkway facility. The alternating schedule of classrooms will be needed while we are in the Phase 1 building until we can progress with additional facilities.

How does Phase 1 and the Masterplan address senior mobility issues?

For Phase 1 and all other building phases, the worship center and adult Bible study areas are all connected indoors so that senior citizens may move from area to area without being subject to the elements of the environment such as rain, cold and heat. Blue handicap parking spaces are provided near the front of the building and an extended front awning was designed for dropping off passengers during inclement weather.

What are details on the capital fundraising campaign?

Planning for all aspects of the capital campaign were begun in 2022 with Generis Capital Campaign Consultants. In this ongoing process, members and participants have the opportunity to submit sacrificial giving commitment cards (above their normal tithe) for their contributions. The contributions indicated may be for a lump sum or on a weekly, monthly or other periodic basis. This vital information will enable a clearer measure of our financial capability and strategic planning.

What is the Master Plan (future expansion)?

The Master Plan was developed in early 2022 with our team of architects and includes several phases of development of the Parkway Campus after Phase 1 is completed and can be updated with more detail when expansion is needed. As presently viewed, Phase 2 and beyond could include a larger worship center and lobby/gathering areas, offices, adult education wing, children's education wing, student building, and recreational areas. All of these facilities have been sized and located on drawings of our property to ensure they all fit spatially in a very usable manner. With this Master Plan developed, all focus then turned to the detailed architectural planning and drawings for Phase 1.

Next steps to construction of Phase 2 and beyond will be based on membership growth and as facilities are needed. But with the master plan completed, placement on the property of these additional facilities have all been identified. Whenever this expansion occurs, it is anticipated that the Phase 1

worship center could be converted into a banquet/fellowship area and also utilized for Youth gatherings, concerts, and activities.

Intermittent projects between the building phases mentioned above may include additional recreation fields, a multi-cross structure at the front of the worship center and an outdoor baptismal.

What are some of the features of our new Parkway Phase 1 building?

The new Parkway Phase 1 facility encompasses approximately 22,000 ft². Room space and usage will be optimized and a significant reduction in power and utility consumption is anticipated. It includes an energy-efficient HVAC system with climate controls for each room and offsite control/monitoring for easy on/off settings and automated adjustments.

The new worship center encompasses 8,300 ft² including the seating area, center stage and backstage areas. For size comparisons, the pavilion is 8,700 ft².

Where can I direct other questions that I have about the project or campaign?

You may email "ministry@fbctomball.org" or call the office at (281) 351-4997 with any questions, comments or requests for appointments and we'll direct them accordingly.

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