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Weekly Work Summary

Project Name: First Congregational Church

Date: January 27, 2012

Owner: First Congregational Church

Address: 281 High Street

Bristol, RI 02809

Description:

Bell Tower Roof

Providence Cornice is continuing to make progress on the Bell Tower roof. Counter flashings are being installed.

We investigated some more of the stone work and remain concerned about the cap stones on the parapet. While they are not "loose", they are no longer bonded to the stones they sit on. And the upper finial stones, that graduate from larger to the point, have been sealed with a mason's caulk, and would be repointed and potentially reset during the work on the tower. And to add to the "might as well" list on the tower, repointing is necessary on the tower, and building as a whole. So if work is done on the tower, the stone should be the 100 year fix it deserves.

Basement Framing Repairs

South elevation sill replacement continues. Joist ends are being sistered as needed. The crew finished about 30 feet this week. We decided to start in the most difficult areas first. The southeast corner was stone all the way to the joists, causing the most extensive joist rot in the basement. So the crew has to remove the stone, as well as cut out some larger stones, so we can get the plate properly in there. This may not be a good gauge for the whole basement, but there is about 200 feet to replace, so about 8 weeks or so.

The mason still needs to reset some stones and repoint under the sill.

DeWolf Acoustics

HRI has been working on interpreting Acentec's Audio Visual and Acoustics reports and finding an appropriate solution. We are getting closer to knowing how much of the hanging panels, what type and exact location.

Basement Brick Piers

Keith Boyd our mason is continuing to make progress. He finished the piers this week, and will complete the north concrete block wall in the next week or so, then start on the bulkhead sidewalls.



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Sanctuary

Artech Church Interiors

Artech came out to give a number for carpets, pew upholstery, painting, plaster repair and floor ideas for the front vestibule.

Sanctuary Alarm system

The Sanctuary alarm sounded a trouble code Monday night. The problem was with a sensor battery that died, causing the alarm trouble code to go off. The Alarm Company came and fixed it on Tuesday. The alarm company also came on Friday to complete the quarterly inspection. All was working fine. They will be contacting us to consolidate the alarm system in the school with the one in the DeWolf Room. They also have to isolate the electricity to the school alarm panel, since now it is operating not to code being attached to an outlet and switch.

Heat

I have to admit that I, Robert Cagnetta, was way too conservative with the thermostat. We know and preach that every building is unique. So when we were trying to keep the thermostat low, and then bring it up for events, the building would be radically different in how quickly it warms depending on the day or series of days. The reality is the Sanctuary is a large space, with some good "air exchange", and a lot of stone. We also have a 90% plus efficient boiler system. So there is little reason to be conservative. We will be keeping the Sanctuary and DeWolf room at a constant temperature, with no set backs. We will wait to see how it performs in all weather, as well as see what the fuel consumption is. We are looking for comfort and savings, which we will achieve.

The DeWolf room and Kitchen heat require work. We are planning on making the Kitchen and Bathroom area its own zone, and redo all of the baseboard in the DeWolf room on its own zone. This was not a mistake, rather an attempt to save the congregation money by not replacing existing. We knew the DeWolf system did not have enough BTU's, or ability to throw heat, on paper, but the hoped it would still work. And as for the Kitchen, it was just piped wrong and should be fixed.

School CE Wing Door

We adjusted the catch on the CE wing door so the door would catch properly.

Guiteras House Heat

We tried to patch and let the heating system limp along for the season, but the pipe banging became too much to let it go. Mello plumbing was out this week to clean out all and replace some of the return pipes.

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