

Dear Siblings in Christ,

With the approval of church council, Trustees have signed a contract with Regevig Roofing to replace our existing roof which was installed 34 years ago. We have experienced leaks in 3 different locations this past winter. One of those locations has been a reoccurring problem for the past 4 years over the pipe organ loft. Another reoccurring roof leak is over the storage room that our tenant, Pride in Learning, uses to house materials and children's furniture. Both of these problem areas have been patched multiple times.

The re-roofing project is scheduled to be completed utilizing two (2) phases. Phase I includes 6 of the 9 building roof sections, which will begin on Saturday Aug 26 and be completed by Sunday Sept 3 2023. The cost of this phase is \$82,943.00. Phase 2 will take place sometime in 2024 at a cost of \$70,985.00 (start date to be determined later).

Oakland Methodist Foundation (OMF) Board of Directors approved LMUMC's Grant request for \$100,000.00 to be applied towards the cost of re-roofing the building. OMF will cover Phase 1 costs (\$82,943.00), out of the \$100,000.00 grant. The remainder of the \$100,000.00 grant (\$17,057.00) will be held by OMF to be applied towards completion of Phase 2 (\$82,943.00). Church council is in the preliminary stages of planning a building maintenance fund campaign to raise the balance required to complete the reroofing project.

During this re-roofing process the First Avenue parking lot will be closed for use to all except the contractor. Access to the church will be restricted to the Lake Shore entries from Saturday Aug 26 through Sunday Sept 3 2023 due to safety concerns.

The Trustees have made a recommendation to the worship committee that Sunday worship services be rescheduled to Sunday evenings after the workers have completed their daily work to avoid the distraction of construction work and the safety of all.

Wayne Fabrizio
LMUMC Board of Trustees