



## Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church Building Renovation

### ***A Moment to Remember***

*As renovation work continues at GELC, a special piece of the church's history was preserved for the future. On March 23rd, a time capsule was sealed and placed within the walls. Thank you to everyone who contributed a note, message, or memory to the capsule. This was a meaningful milestone as we look ahead to the renewed spaces that will support worship, fellowship, and community for years to come.*

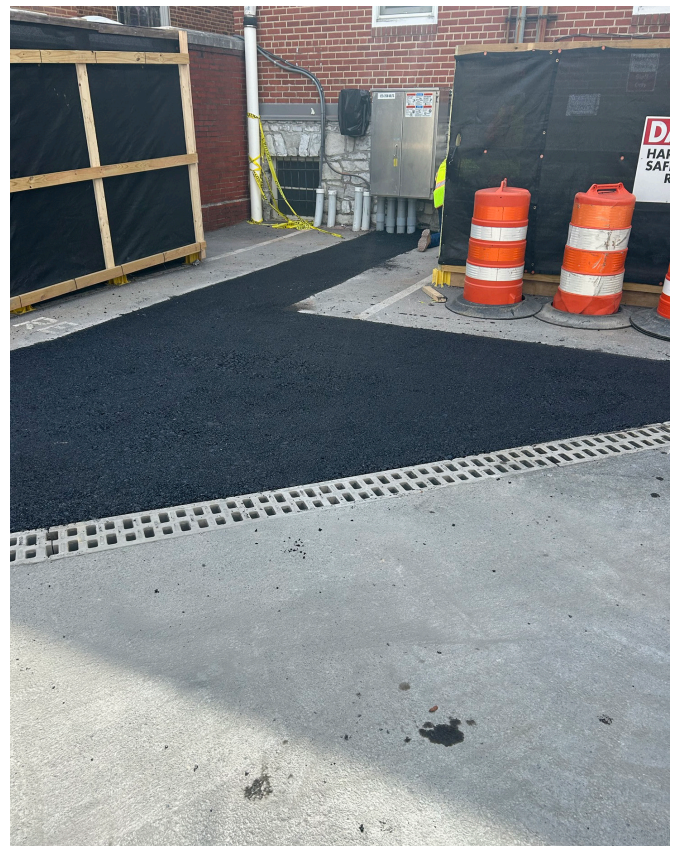


### **Schedule**

February brought continued progress to the renovation at Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church. Crews completed important electrical infrastructure work in the back alley and installed the new roof at the front of the building. Demolition work began in the kitchen area, and teams continued framing interior spaces with light-gauge metal framing. The connecting hallway between the A&E Building to the GMOC Building was also completed.

Looking ahead to March, the project will reach another key milestone as the building's electrical power is transitioned to the new system. Crews will also begin inspections for mechanical, plumbing, and electrical rough-ins, install insulation, and continue hanging and finishing drywall. Installation of the new steel stair will also begin, marking another step forward as the renovated spaces continue to take shape.





## Meet the Team

In each newsletter, we highlight a Warfel team member who is helping bring the new Grace Evangelical Lutheran space to life! This month, we're featuring Jim Shives, Superintendent.

Jim brings more than 40 years of construction experience and plays a key role in guiding the day-to-day work on site. He enjoys seeing a project come together from start to finish and helping ensure every detail is carried out with care.

Jim has lived in Stephenson, Virginia for the past five years after growing up in Hancock, Maryland. Outside of work, he enjoys fishing, woodworking, and restoring his 1968 Camaro. He and his family also enjoy spending time together at the Outer Banks or relaxing on cabin trips to Gatlinburg.

