

Fair Haven Chapel Opportunities



The Chapel is an icon at Fair Haven and has always been at the center of life and faith on our campus. As Fair Haven's redevelopment efforts are about to conclude, we are ready to focus attention on the renovations for the Chapel. Because Methodist Homes is unable to use any bond proceeds for these renovations, a Chapel Team (consisting of residents from independent living, assisted living and long-term care) has been formed to consider some of the options for the Chapel and to spearhead the fundraising. The Chapel will receive new paint, new carpeting, refreshed lighting, new seating, and new windows, which will now be stained glass. The Team is excited that the naming opportunity of the Chapel itself has already been claimed, but there are other opportunities that we would like to make available to raise the additional funds needed to fully fund the project.

In order to raise the additional funds, the Team has decided to offer naming and memorial opportunities within the Chapel. There are three ways you can take part in this special effort.

- 1) Sponsor a Stained Glass Window for the Chapel
- 2) Sponsor New Seating for the Chapel
- 3) Make a gift of any amount designated for the Chapel Renovation

Sponsoring a Stained Glass Window: The Team has decided to replace both the upper and lower windows with stained glass creations. There are 15 large windows in the main worship area and one extra-large window at the rear of the Chapel. To cover the cost of these windows, each large window is being offered for naming or memorial naming for your gift of \$1,500. For a gift of \$5,000, you can sponsor the one extra-large stained glass window at the rear of the Chapel. The company selected to do the stained glass work is Birmingham Art Glass Company. Much of their stained glass work can be seen in the area, most notably at Highlands United Methodist Church, First United Methodist Church of Birmingham, and Shades Crest Baptist Church. As of the writing of this letter, 6 of the 15 large windows have already been spoken for, so the sooner you inform us of your intention to sponsor a window, the better, so that we can reserve the opportunity for you! The memorial/naming is etched into each of the large stained glass windows. A recognition plaque will be located publically at eye level, below the extra-large window to honor that gift.

Sponsoring New Seating: The current seats in the Chapel are original to the construction of the Chapel in the 1960s. There are a total of 100 seats, and the Team has decided to order 100 new seats to replace them. Through a special buying discount, Fair Haven is able to purchase the chairs (with chair arms and hymnal racks) for almost half of the usual retail cost. Therefore, the Team is able to offer the naming or memorial naming of a new chair for a gift of \$350 each. You may sponsor one chair or any number of chairs you wish! A naming/memorial plate will be attached to the hymnal rack on the back of each chair to honor the gift.

Enclosed you will find a Chapel Sponsorship card. If you wish to participate, simply return the card to the Chapel Team at address shown, or call Sherri at the Methodist Homes office at 205-951-2442. You can also find a link to the Chapel Fund fundraiser at www.methodisthomes.org that will take you to the online giving portal RAZOO, where credit card gifts are accepted.

Thank you for your support and love of Fair Haven, its residents, and its mission.

Sincerely,
The Chapel Team



Chapel Renovation Sponsorship

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____ Email: _____

- I am enclosing / pledging a gift of \$1,500 to sponsor a large stained glass window
- I am enclosing / pledging a gift of \$5,000 to sponsor the extra-large stained glass window
- I am enclosing / pledging a gift of \$ _____ to sponsor _____ (quantity) of chairs in the Chapel (\$350 each chair)

**Gift In Memory/Honor Of: _____ By: _____

- I am enclosing / pledging a gift of \$ _____ for general use in the Chapel renovation project

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** Use the BACK SIDE if additional space is needed, or contact Sherri at 205-951-2442. Your donation is tax-deductible as allowable by law.