

North Decatur Presbyterian Church

LOCATION:

Decatur, Georgia

CLIENT:

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PROJECT DATA:

Addition:
elevator
lobby

2,000 sf

Renovation:
fellowship hall
classrooms

14,000 sf

SERVICES:

Programming
Interior Design
Architectural Design
Construction Administration

COST:

\$600,000

DATE OF COMPLETION:

1997

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North Decatur Presbyterian Church was built in the 1960's and was originally comprised of two separate buildings - the sanctuary and the education/fellowship hall. The original buildings were designed with opposing curved roofs. The members wanted to modernize their older buildings while maintaining their original vision for their church, "God gathered a community of the faithful from the neighborhood and planted a church at the intersection of life and faith."

RWH provided preliminary master planning services to the congregation to assist them with determining the eventual program for the project that would include additional classroom space and ADA accessibility for both buildings as well as the choir loft.

The resulting design solution was the addition of a connector building between the sanctuary and education building. By joining the two buildings the design team was able to provide interior accessible circulation, vertical circulation, restrooms, and additional classrooms. The front of the connector was simplified and recessed in order to compliment the original elevation of the Sanctuary. The back of the new connector opens up to the gardens and provides natural light to the classroom spaces. The renovation of the fellowship hall also included recladding along with new glazing, which provided greater energy efficiency.

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