

Shawnee Park Church

Grand Rapids, Michigan

data

- new classroom, multi-purpose, nursery and fellowship spaces
- construction completed: 1998
- building area (addition): 10,130 s.f.
- method of construction: competitive bid
- general contractor: TerHorst & Rinzema Construction
- cost: \$900,000 / \$89 per s.f.



before



photograph by Stephen Graham

fellowship interior



after: curved wall at exterior

summary

Shawnee Park Christian Reformed Church required an expanded educational wing to accommodate ministry programs. The addition includes a nursery, multi-purpose and fellowship spaces, restrooms, and an elevator. A new nursery pick-up entry was also added. The addition utilizes a curved wall to the west of the existing building to organize both circulation from the sanctuary and entry at the new fellowship hall. A variety of sizes of the spaces in the addition allows for flexibility of use. The design solution attempts to preserve the architectural character of the existing structure while negotiating a sloping site.