

LHTF CONGREGATIONAL SURVEY DATA

There were a total of 95 congregational surveys collected. Some couples submitted individual surveys, but the vast majority of couples submitted their survey as a family unit. As a result, the 95 surveys do not reflect the number of people who participated in the process. The number of people that participated is estimated at 150-175.

The congregational written response data was paraphrased and similar comments were lumped together. The number of similar comments were recorded to reflect the consistency of that sentiment or opinion.

The Laird Hall Task Force have collectively analyzed this data and have drawn conclusion from it. These conclusions will be shared after Session has the opportunity to also reflect as a group and draw their own conclusions.

EVALUATIVE RESPONSES

HOW IMPORTANT ARE THESE THINGS TO YOU IN CONSIDERING A LAIRD HALL REMODEL OR NEW BUILDING?

1. Small Gathering Rooms For 10-30 People (84 Responses, 3.12 Average Rating)				
Not Important	Moderately Important	Important	Very Important	Extremely Important
8/10%	17/20%	26/31%	23/27%	10/12%
30%		31%	39%	
2. Medium Gathering Rooms For 50-100 People 87 Responses, 3.28 Average Rating				
Not Important	Moderately Important	Important	Very Important	Extremely Important
6/7%	16/19%	28/32%	22/25%	15/17%
26%		32%	42%	
3. Large Gathering Space For Congregational Events 86 Responses, 4.0 Average Rating				
Not Important	Moderately Important	Important	Very Important	Extremely Important
3/4%	5/6%	15/17%	27/31%	36/42%
10%		17%	73%	

4. Space For Youth Events/Activities 79 Responses, 3.6 Average Rating				
Not Important	Moderately Important	Important	Very Important	Extremely Important
3/4%	9/11%	23/29%	26/33%	18/23%
15%		29%	56%	
5. Commercial Grade Kitchen 86 Responses, 3.2 Average Rating				
Not Important	Moderately Important	Important	Very Important	Extremely Important
8/9%	18/21%	26/30%	21/25%	13/15%
30%		30%	40%	
6. Storage Space 86 Responses, 3.2 Average Rating				
Not Important	Moderately Important	Important	Very Important	Extremely Important
5/6%	20/23%	28/33%	19/22%	14/16%
29%		33%	38%	
7. Quality and Space of Restrooms 85 Responses, 3.7 Rating				
Not Important	Moderately Important	Important	Very Important	Extremely Important
3/1%	9/11%	23/27%	31/36%	21/25%
12%		27%	61%	
8. Church Library 85 Responses, 2.8 Average Rating				
Not Important	Moderately Important	Important	Very Important	Extremely Important
9/11%	34/40%	14/16%	24/28%	4/5%
51%		16%	33%	

9. AV/Media Technology 84 Responses, 3.6 Average Rating				
Not Important	Moderately Important	Important	Very Important	Extremely Important
3/4%	14/17%	21/25%	23/27%	23/27%
21%		25%	54%	
10. Wedding/Funeral Suitability 84 Responses, 3.4 Average Rating				
Not Important	Moderately Important	Important	Very Important	Extremely Important
5/6%	15/18%	26/31%	21/25%	17/20%
24%		31%	45%	
11. Overall Aesthetic Quality 86 Responses, 3.6 Average Rating				
Not Important	Moderately Important	Important	Very Important	Extremely Important
3/3%	7/8%	29/34%	30/35%	17/20%
11%		34%	55%	
12. Ease of Access From Sanctuary 85 Responses, 3.3 Average Rating				
Not Important	Moderately Important	Important	Very Important	Extremely Important
6/7%	13/15%	29/34%	21/25%	16/19%
22%		34%	44%	
13. Office Space 84 Responses, 3.1 Average Rating				
Not Important	Moderately Important	Important	Very Important	Extremely Important
5/6%	22/26%	29/35%	16/19%	12/14%
32%		35%	33%	

14. Favorability Toward Tear Down & New Building (Ratings: 1 being the least important and 10 being the most important)									
85 Responses, 4.3 Average Rating									
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
20/24%	10/12%	9/10%	9/10%	11/13%	5/6%	4/5%	8/9%	4/5%	5/6%
59%				19%		25%			
15. Favorability Toward Remodel (Ratings: 1 being the least favorable and 10 being the most Favorable)									
87 Responses, 6.4 Average Rating									
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
10/11%	4/5%	4/5%	4/5%	12/14%	2/2%	12/14%	15/17%	5/5%	19/22%
26%				16%		58%			

16. Willing To Support Financially		
88 Responses		
No	Not Sure	Yes
6/7%	37/42%	45/51%

WRITTEN RESPONSES (PARAPHRASED)

17. What do you like about Laird Hall Currently?	
#	Comments
33	Has amenities/functionality/multifunctional that served its purpose (kitchen/restrooms/small meeting rooms/storage area)
19	History/fellowship/small group memories with church members
13	Kitchen size/functionality and/or accessibility to main hall
11	Location on campus/access from sanctuary/parking lot
8	Open space that can accommodate many people and different type/size of events.
7	Adequate for current congregation size. Other more important priorities.
5	No much. Needs a lot of improvement.
4	Patio area

4	Paid for
2	Ceiling tiles
2	Library
2	Garden view
2	Fireplace
1	Visibility from street to create welcoming atmosphere for neighbors

18. What do you not like about Laird Hall currently and how it might not be meeting the needs of our church?

#	Comments
34	Inadequate space for large group events & activities/community groups and events/low ceiling
31	Dated/ugly/not inviting
20	Kitchen space/appliances/cupboards/use of space
18	Restrooms quality/access/ADA
12	Chairs/tables
9	Lacking Technology
7	Plumbing/water quality
7	AC/heating/lighting
6	Electrical issues
4	Poor office space
4	Inadequate for small group gatherings
4	Flooring/ceiling
3	Not enough windows and access to garden
3	Inadequate storage
3	Not designed for multipurposing
2	Useless fireplace
1	Storage for tables & chairs
1	Building layout for easy access

1	Phone system
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19. How would a new or remodeled facility better serve our church's mission statement?	
#	Comments
34	More inviting/welcoming to community/visitors/new members/community outreach
26	Promote large & small gatherings/events/fellowship/ministry groups
19	Space for community groups/activities/other churches/rental space
3	Preschool/child care center
3	More energy efficient
3	Expressed concern about funding/priorities
2	Christian education/training center
2	No impact on mission statement/outreach
2	More space for youth ministries
2	Food pantry
1	Full bathroom with showers for visiting groups

20. Other Comments (Paraphrased)	
#	Comments
5	Remodel is best option because of current budget situation and not having to do it again in the near future.
5	Concern about incurring debt. Membership is not in a place for more giving. Should be put off for now. Declining membership.
2	What resources are available (loans/grants/savings/gifts)?
2	Not enough information to know if I will support financially.
2	Need for fundraising to support project.
1	Need the space for group gatherings to build stronger relationships.
1	I would still attend even if there is no remodel.
1	This project is long overdue.
1	Sanctuary organ replace/repair should be considered with a capitol campaign.

1	Enlarged Laird Hall for after church fellowship when weather does not allow comfortable use of the patio outside the sanctuary.
1	I think everything is fine as it is.
1	The building features/functions should reflect reaching out to the community around us.
1	Can a new building generate revenue for the church?
1	Work space is needed for VBS, etc.
1	Suggest exploring new buildings in the community with a similar focus.
1	We cannot follow our purpose if we do not have the facilities to support our goals.
1	Hard to know if a new building or remodel is the best option.
1	Would like all the issues with the facilities to be brought to the congregation.
1	Rebuild could create hardship for current LVHPC and community use. Could have impact on SFC children/youth ministries.

LHTF MINISTRY/GROUP SURVEY DATA

10 of 21 ministries/groups returned their survey. This number was low, most likely as a result of the Corona Virus impact on the group's ability to meet and discuss it.

EVALUATIVE RESPONSES

HOW IMPORTANT ARE THESE THINGS FOR THE FUNCTIONING OF YOUR MINISTRY/GROUP?

1. Small Gathering Rooms For 10-30 People (7 Responses, 4.43 Average Rating)				
Not Important	Slightly Important	No Opinion	Important	Very Important
			4	5
2. Medium Gathering Rooms For 50-100 People 6 Responses, 4.33 Average Rating				
Not Important	Slightly Important	No Opinion	Important	Very Important
			4	2
3. Large Gathering Space For Congregational Events 6 Responses, 4.67 Average Rating				
Not Important	Slightly Important	No Opinion	Important	Very Important
			2	4
4. Commercial Grade Kitchen 7 Responses, 4.0 Average Rating				
Not Important	Slightly Important	No Opinion	Important	Very Important
1	1		4	1
5. Storage Space 7 Responses, 3.57 Average Rating				
Not Important	Slightly Important	No Opinion	Important	Very Important
	3		1	3

6. Quality and Space of Restrooms 7 Responses, 4.43 Rating				
Not Important	Slightly Important	No Opinion	Important	Very Important
	1		1	5
7. Church Library 5 Responses, 1.40 Average Rating				
Not Important	Slightly Important	No Opinion	Important	Very Important
3	2			
8. AV/Media Technology 6 Responses, 3.67 Average Rating				
Not Important	Slightly Important	No Opinion	Important	Very Important
			2	4
9. Ease of Access From Sanctuary 7 Responses, 2.86 Average Rating				
Not Important	Slightly Important	No Opinion	Important	Very Important
3	1			3
10. Office Space 4 Responses, 2.75 Average Rating				
Not Important	Slightly Important	No Opinion	Important	Very Important
2			1	1

WRITTEN RESPONSES (PARAPHRASED)

11. How does your ministry/group currently use Laird Hall?

Mission Ministry Team

Alternative Christmas, Global and Community Awareness Fair, back office for meetings

Youth Ministry

Pie Auction

Women's Bible Study Group

Tuesday morning meetings

Children's Ministry

Quarterly worship skills rotations, occasional cooking, limited to Sundays

Widows Dinner Group

No use

Geezers Breakfast Group

No use

POP Ministry Team

Monthly meetings, fund raising events, mission trip meetings (20-30), Alternative Christmas Fair, Mission Sunday

Choir

No use

Connect Ministry Group

Library for meetings, Sunday coffee set-up, events, storage space

Deacons

Monthly meetings, large and small receptions

12. What elements of Laird Hall are currently necessary and/or beneficial to the work of your ministry/group?

Mission Ministry Team

Large group gathering space, restrooms, kitchen

Youth Ministry

Large group gathering space

Women's Bible Study Group

Large group gathering space, kitchen, restrooms

Children's Ministry

Large group gathering space, kitchen, table/chairs

Widows Dinner Group

No use

Geezers Breakfast Group

No use

POP Ministry Team

Meeting space, table & chairs, adequate lighting, WIFI

Choir

No use

Connect Ministry Group

Large group gathering space, small meeting room, kitchen

Deacons

Large group gathering space, kitchen, storage, tables & chairs

13. What elements of Laird Hall currently inhibit the work of your ministry/group?

Mission Ministry Team

Not inviting, wheel chair access, inadequate kitchen, restrooms, acoustics, quality of chairs

Youth Ministry

A/V technology, oven, not inviting

Women's Bible Study Group

Restroom access, heat & air, quality of curtains

Children's Ministry

Adjustable height tables, small children size chairs

Widows Dinner Group

No use

Geezers Breakfast Group

No use

POP Ministry Team

Heat & air

Choir

No use

Connect Ministry Group

(Nothing Noted)

Deacons

Quality of tables & chairs, poorly stocked kitchen, limit refrigerator space, storage space

14. What elements would make a new or remodeled building more effective for the work of your ministry?

Mission Ministry Team

Technology, more attractive/welcoming/functional space

Youth Ministry

Updated furniture, comfortable lounge space, better kitchen, updated restrooms, possible showers, ability to use larger space as a gym or for sleep-overs

Women's Bible Study Group

WIFI, wireless microphone

Children's Ministry

A stage with a curtain & lighting

Widows Dinner Group

No use

Geezers Breakfast Group

No use

POP Ministry Team

Storage space, larger space for fundraiser events, A/V technology, more appealing

Choir

No use

Connect Ministry Group

New chairs, new window coverings, block lighting

Deacons

More welcoming environment, new chairs/window coverings, functional kitchen, storage

15. Other Comments

Mission Ministry Team

Add a reception area if possible, Pastor needs nicer office and private restroom

Youth Ministry

(Nothing Noted)

Women's Bible Study Group

New floor/paint/ceiling/air/heating/lighting/toilets

Children's Ministry

Pastor's office space is inadequate, need to be more welcoming and maintained better to bring people in

Widows Dinner Group

Replace chairs/window coverings/electrical/plumbing

Geezers Breakfast Group

Classrooms/smaller meeting rooms & storage are needed, consider acoustics, kitchen does need to be larger-just more functional

POP Ministry Team

Poor lighting quality, overall ambiance is lacking

Choir

(Nothing Noted)

Connect Ministry Group

Need to be fiscally responsible, concerned about City Inspector requirements, need for many updates, need office for Peggy, cozy rooms for Life Groups

Deacons

(Nothing Noted)