St. Mark's Worship Space Changes Completed (from 2006 to now)

Sanctuary Area



A view of the overall sanctuary area after all of the changes listed below

--Built a new altar table and installed it at the front of the sanctuary area, much closer to the worshippers (2011). Kept the old altar and have it placed in its original location on the back wall under the cross, and use it to display the church season colors.



- --Received a used newer organ as a gift and placed it in the far left back of the sanctuary area (2008).
- --Built new communion rails and installed them where the old chancel rails used to be and made padded kneelers for each side in front of new communion rails (2009).



--Built some new wooden plant/flower stands and placed them near the new altar table and in the narthex (entry to the church) (2011).

--Purchased a new Gospel book (2007), and built a separate wooden book stand (2011).





- --Refinished the Bishop's chair and placed it in the far right back of the sanctuary area (2011).
 - --Refinished four worship leader chairs used in worship in the sanctuary area (2011).





--Installed the aumbry (for the reserve sacrament) on the right side of the sanctuary near the sanctus light (2009).

Nave Area

- --Refinished and rebuilt the lectern (now an ambo) and moved it down in front and far right of the first pew (2011), and purchased a new lectionary book (2009) (closer to the worshippers for the Service of the Word--readings and sermons)
 - --New Voices United hymnals purchased (2006)
 - --Refinished the hymns board (2011)
- --Purchased wireless microphone system and updates to present wired microphones for all presiders and presenters during worship services (2010).





Baptismal Area

--Created a baptismal space in the rear of the nave (2009): (to remind us of our baptismal vows as we enter the worship area). Moved baptismal font to rear of nave, placed Paschal candle next to font, and moved flower/candles shelves to this area.



Overall

--Repaired & painted sides and back walls of worship space--a very light blue for cool and calming effect for worship, and added baseboards and painted all trim white (2009).



 $\mbox{--Created}$ a greeting area and opened up the doors into the church from the narthex to invite people in.





New Vestments

- --Made some new priest's and deacon's vestments for Red and Green church seasons uses (2009), and stoles for Bless Pets Sundays (2010).
- --Purchased a used white vestment for use at Christmas and Easter services and other white service uses (2009).

