

## Notes for Slides in Holy Apostles Visual History Presentation

### SLIDE # – NOTE

- 2 - In 2009 we received St. Joseph's chapel with 2 acres of land as an outright gift, with a condition that it cannot be sold and will be always be used as a church. So restoring this church has become our goal.
- 3 - St. Joseph's chapel is a historic building. This means that we need to abide by certain rules about the materials and techniques that can be used for restoration to preserve its look close to its original appearance. Since 2011, we have applied every 1-2 years and received seven grants from the historic commission of MNCPPC, totaling \$292,000. These money allowed us to bring electricity to the chapel, remediate termite problem, repair and then replace part of the roof, restore wooden verge boards and original windows, restore masonry and repoint brick.
- 4 - Besides contractors, which we could hire thanks to the grant money and generous donations, a lot of work was, and still is regularly performed by our own parishioners and friends of the parish. Work days are organized to maintain chapel and grounds, and to perform the projects that we can to satisfy the condition of the historic grant, which requires a contribution of at least 10% of the grant amount in money or labor. It's also a great way to spend your day in the beautiful outside working in the vineyard of the Lord. Please be on the lookout for the next date.
- 6 - Since we received the property, we have been considering different ways of restoring and adding non-worship spaces, such as bathrooms, kitchen and classrooms to the existing chapel. After meeting with several architects, pieces finally fell into place. We contracted a renowned Orthodox architect Andrew Gould to share with us his vision for our future church "campus" and design our parish hall. He presented his vision to us in October of 2017. You may watch a video of this presentation on our web-site.

8 - With Andrew Gould being in North Carolina, we hired a local firm SPIRE Architecture to serve as the architects of record and take care of the local and more immediate workings of the design and preparing all the necessary documentation.

SPIRE, together with LandTech Civil Engineering company are finishing their set of engineering, environmental and architectural drawings to obtain all the necessary permits to begin building the parish hall.

**Pictured here in Slide 8 are the views of the future parish hall:**

- Top right is what you would see if you would stand at the cemetery.
- On the left is what it would look like if you stood to the east of the chapel, in the field where we held our outdoor Liturgies last year.
- The schematics in the lower right demonstrates the relative sizes and distances between the buildings with St Joseph's chapel on the right, and parish hall on the left.

9 - This schematic presents the chapel-parish hall complex in the context of our entire parcel of land, with the cemetery on the left, access road on top, and the location of the proposed parking lot between the courtyard and the access road.