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Greetings, People of Christ Church,

As chair of the Building for Today and Tomorrow team charged with addressing the second priority of the Campaign, I want to provide an update to the parish on the status of the church steps and walkway/paver project.

As the parish is only all too aware, the steps to the main Church entrance as well as the concrete aggregate paver walkway in that same location, have significant spalling and cracking that will require either repair or replacement of these structures.

Due to the anticipated cost and scope of the project and in order to facilitate an open and competitive bid process, in January of this year the Vestry approved engaging Tim Lund Architects (<http://www.tlarchitect.com/>), the same firm that the Parish used for the successful Rectory project, to create drawings and a Request for Proposal (RFP) package to secure multiple bids.

In March the RFP package was sent to six (6) qualified contractors. We are coordinating meetings with the various contractors who have elected to bid on the job, three (3) so far, to review the assignment and answer any questions as they prepare their proposals. As the process unfolds additional updates will be provided to the Parish.

The goal is to present our Vestry with a variety of options for their deliberation, before they decide on the best proposal to make our steps safe, attractive, and inviting for years to come. Please don't hesitate to reach out to me or Nick (nick@ccneedham.org) with questions.

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