

Artisan Partners To Provide Major Building Facilities Upgrades For River Road Unitarian Universalist Congregation, Bethesda, MD

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Artisan Partners Construction Services announced that it has been retained to oversee the construction of major facilities upgrades for **River Road Unitarian Universalist Congregation (RRUUC)**, located at 6301 River Road in Bethesda. The church structure is 50 years old.

The scope of work includes:

- Installation of a modern, efficient mechanical system, replacing the original system
- New sprinkler system and other life-safety upgrades
- Installation of new custom energy-efficient windows and doors in sanctuary, classrooms, and offices
- Asbestos abatement and replacement of ceilings and flooring where asbestos was removed
- Renovating the structure's attic area for increased storage
- Renovating the building's exterior skin with masonry and wood siding repairs and replacement
- Modify the building envelope with spray foam in the attic to increase the building's R value
- Retrofitting lighting fixtures with energy-efficient LED packages

According to Geoff Azaroff, Artisan Partners principal: "We are pleased to be assisting the congregation with this set of projects to replace aging building systems with modern and energy-efficient equipment and structural upgrades."

Artisan's work at RRUUC is a continuation of its active involvement with providing construction management services for religious facilities. It has performed major construction projects on behalf of Temple Sinai in Washington, D.C.; and Young Israel Shomrai Emunah and Chabad of Silver Spring, both in Silver Spring, Md.

About River Road Unitarian Universalist Congregation

Ground was broken for the River Road Unitarian Universalist Congregation building on June 14, 1964. The building was occupied in September 1965. The American Institute of Architects named the building as one of the ten best buildings constructed anywhere in the world in 1966.

Today, [Rev. Nancy McDonald Ladd](#) serves as Senior Minister.

About Artisan Partners:

Founded in 2008, Artisan Partners (artisanpartners.us) provides construction management and owner representation services to a number of varied clients; including business owners, corporations, country clubs, developers, hotels, schools, religious institutions, and trade associations. From start to finish, Artisan Partners oversees projects through all phases of development, design, and construction.