

Good Faith Chapel

Cathedral of St Philip, Atlanta (GA)



The main building, begun in 1933 and completed in 1962, was designed by [Francis Palmer Smith](#), deploying a mix of neo-Gothic and Arts & Crafts styles.

The concept for the new 2026 extension was defined by the Dean, Sam Candler, with the aim of providing a mid-sized worship space, with flexible seating arrangements, excellent acoustics for the spoken word and usable for less formal worship and social occasions. See [The Dean's vision](#).

The new Good Faith Chapel is based on an octagonal layout, lit by a 20' structural oculus skylight (reminiscent of the Pantheon in Rome), which provides dramatic natural lighting as the position and elevation of the sun varies throughout both the days and seasons.

The Good Faith Chapel also features five large integrated LED video screens which are designed to act as 'variable stained glass windows', capable of projecting dynamic seasonal imagery (such as Easter, Pentecost, St Francis' Day etc.), as well as images of art, stained glass, contemplative landscapes ... and the current hymns and words in the service sheets. The images can change, even during a service.

Luke Hughes was commissioned to design all the furniture: moveable altar, clergy chairs, credence table, lectern, sound desks and seating, using the stacking oak LH33 'St Edmund's chair' (see: [LH33 'lookbook'](#)). The whole ensemble is designed to move easily and be stored in the basement.

The octagonal altar is made from cast bronze, patinated blue, with gold leaf details, and has been designed to complement the striking star-shapes in the vaulted ceiling. The top has a black glass and convex mirrors that echo the patterns of the architecture, the reflections from the video screens and the changing sunlight from the oculus – 'bringing heaven down to earth', as one of the younger members of the cathedral community commented at the dedication service.

Architecture – Cooper Carry (<https://www.coopercarry.com/projects/cooper-carry-atlanta-office/>)

Construction - Holder Construction Company (<https://www.holderconstruction.com>)

Project Management - Katherine Zanaty, of Yellow Bird Project Management (<https://yellowbirdpm.com>)

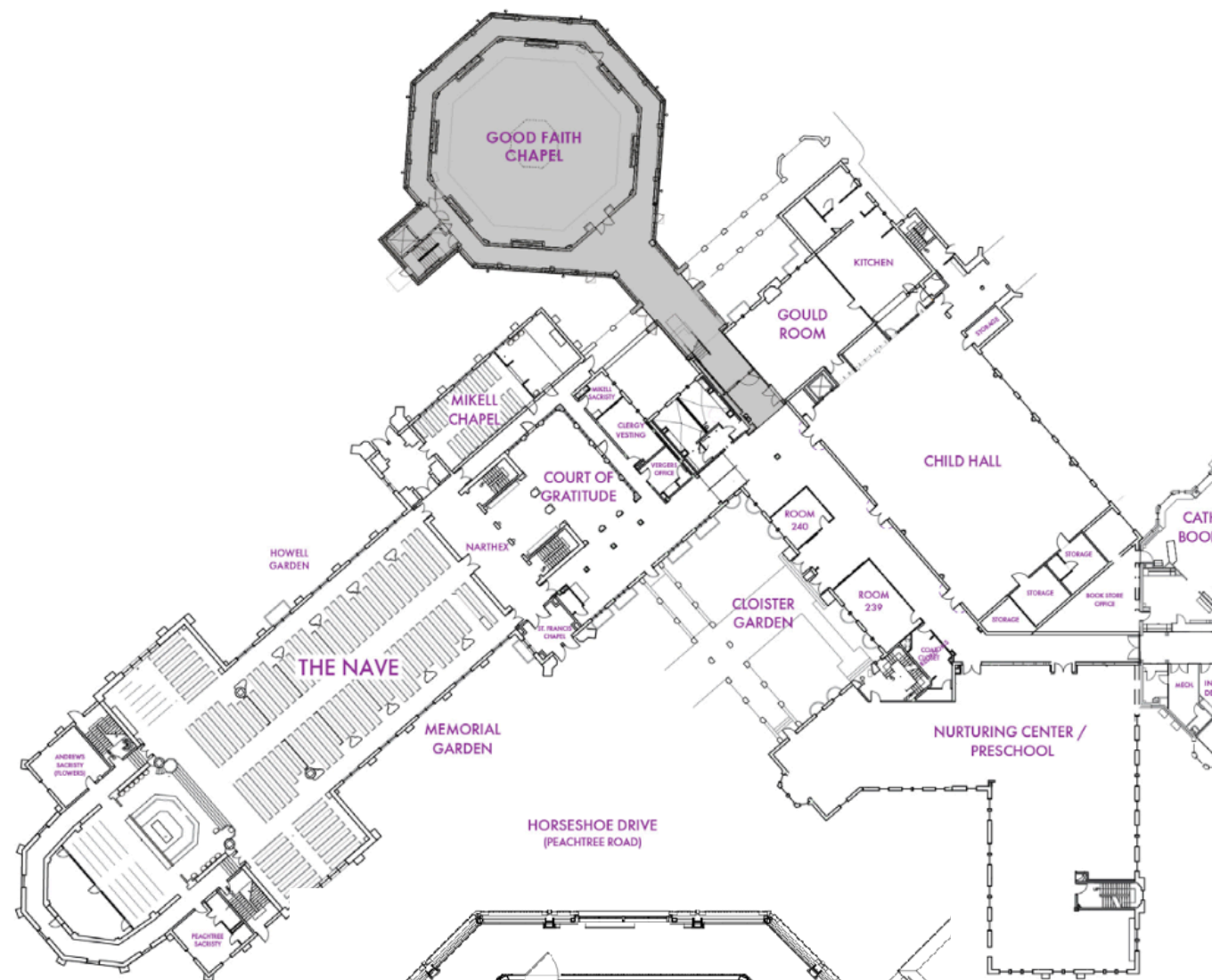
Introduction

Good Faith Chapel, Cathedral of St Philip in Atlanta

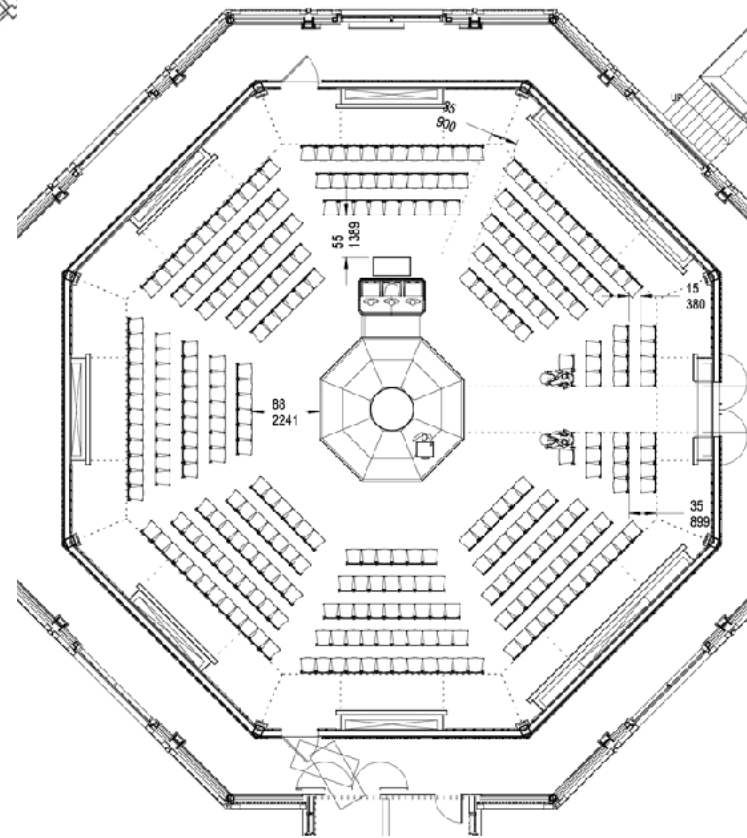




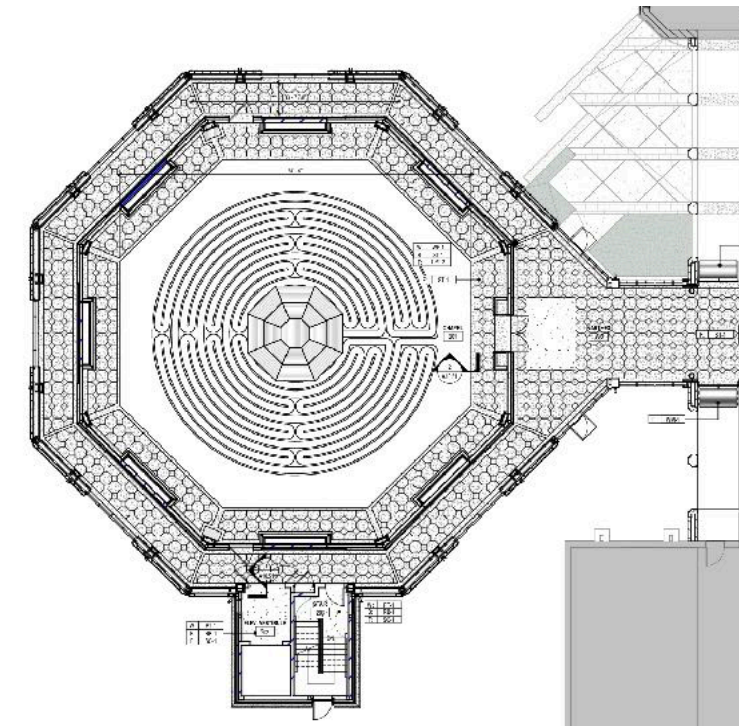
Original building (and position of the Good Faith Chapel)
Cathedral of St Philip, Atlanta



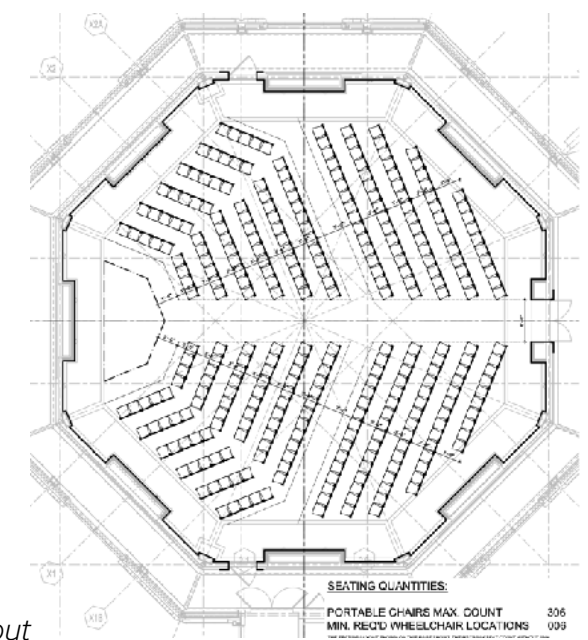
Cathedral site plan



Default layout of
Good Faith Chapel



Labyrinth carpet design

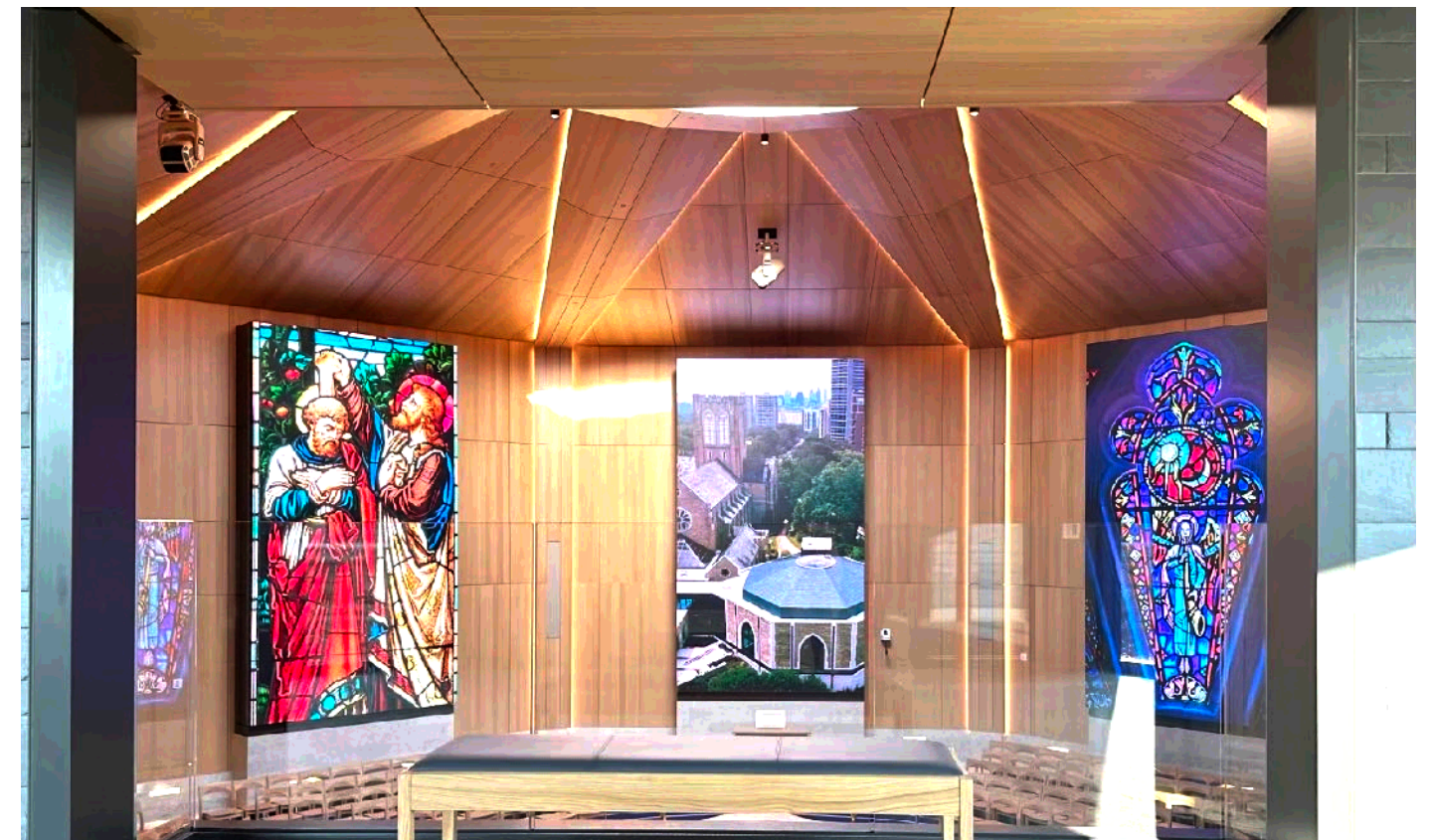


Alternative layout

SEATING QUANTITIES:	
PORTABLE CHAIRS MAX COUNT	306
MIN. REQ'D WHEELCHAIR LOCATIONS	009

Floorplans

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Link passage to entrance
Cathedral of St Philip, Atlanta



From the balcony
Cathedral of St Philip, Atlanta



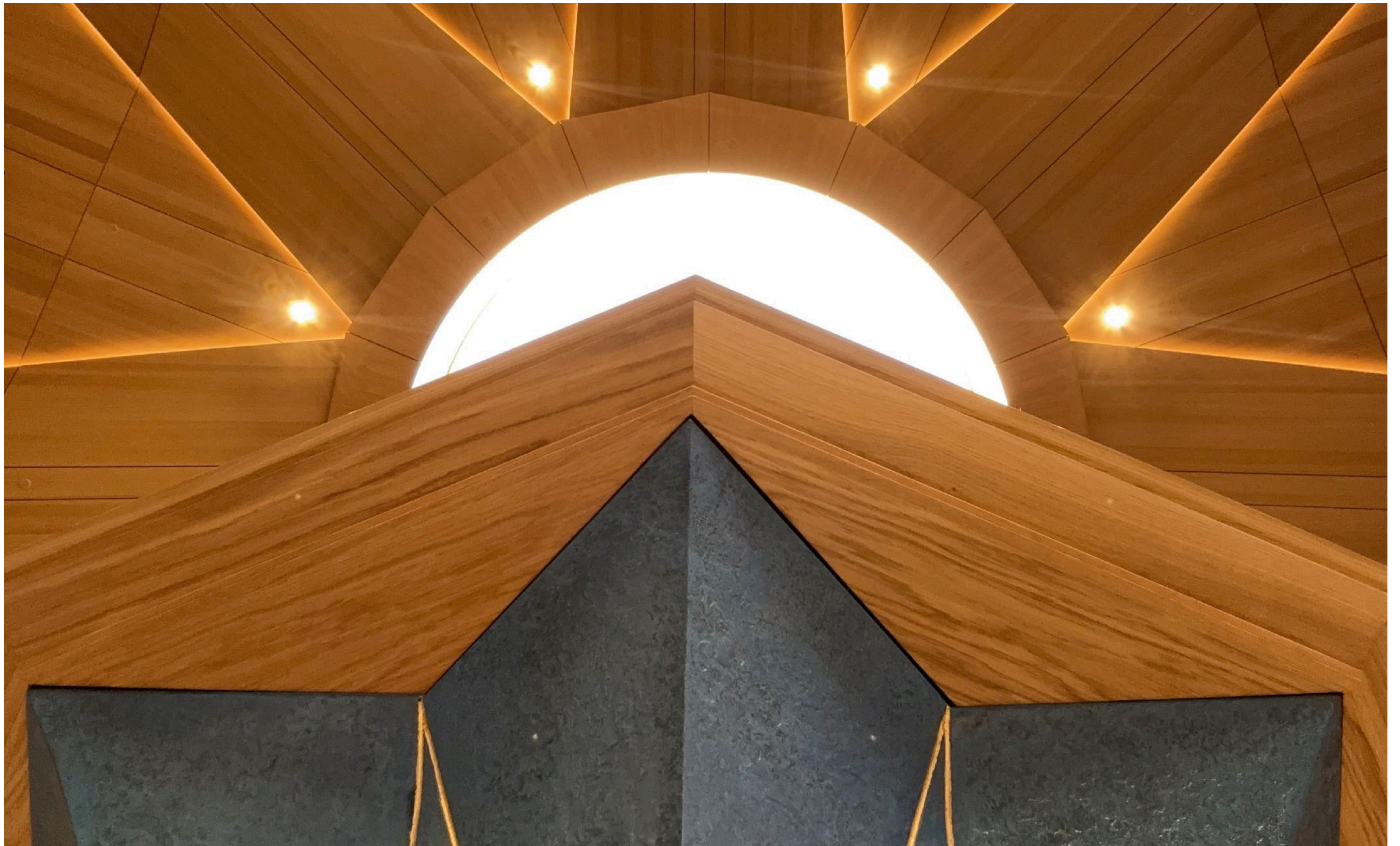
Ground floor, towards the entrance
Cathedral of St Philip, Atlanta



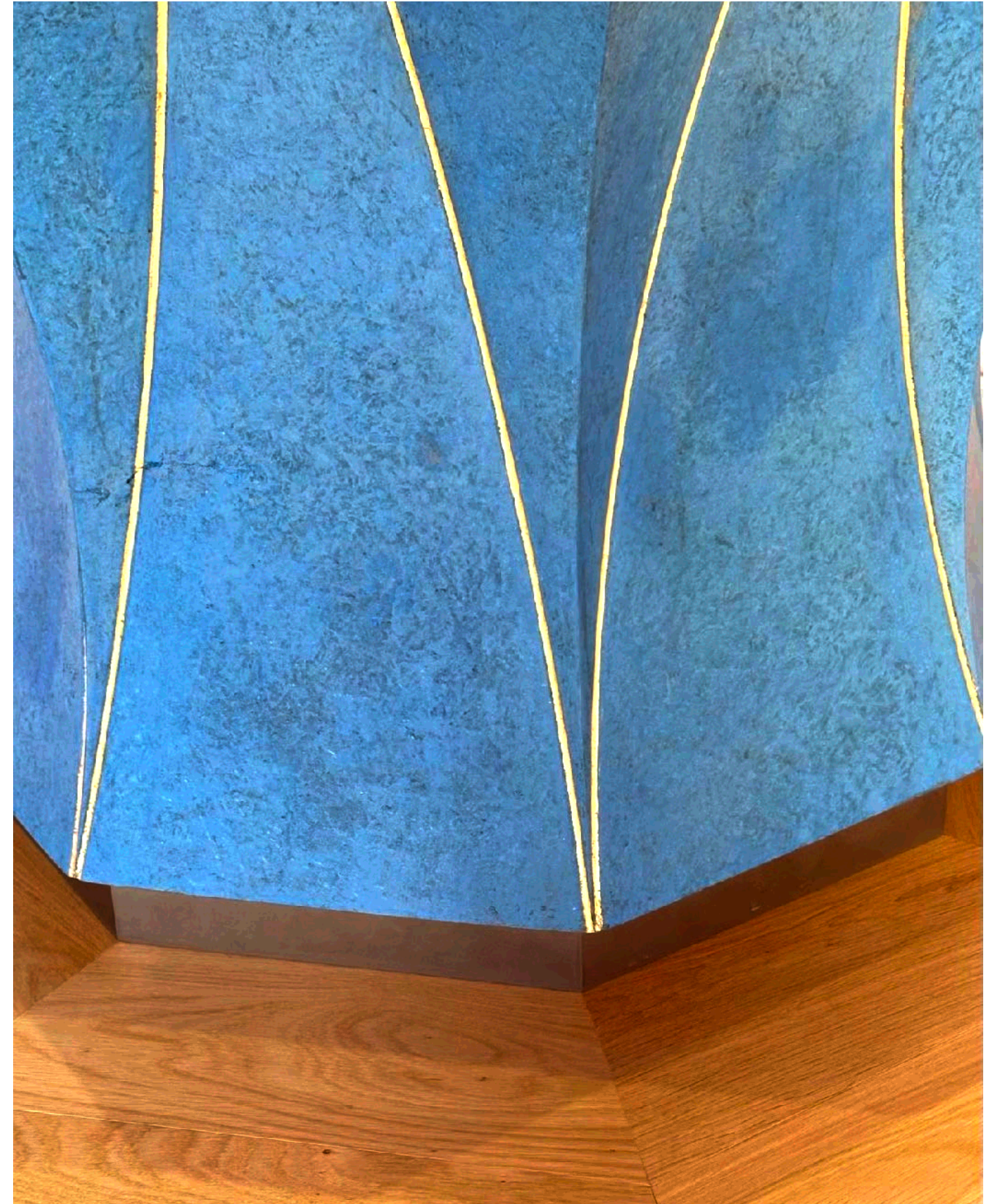
Oculus
Cathedral of St Philip, Atlanta



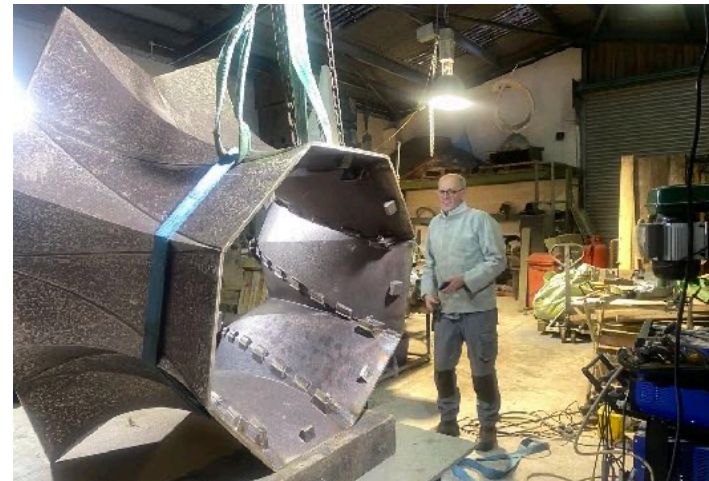
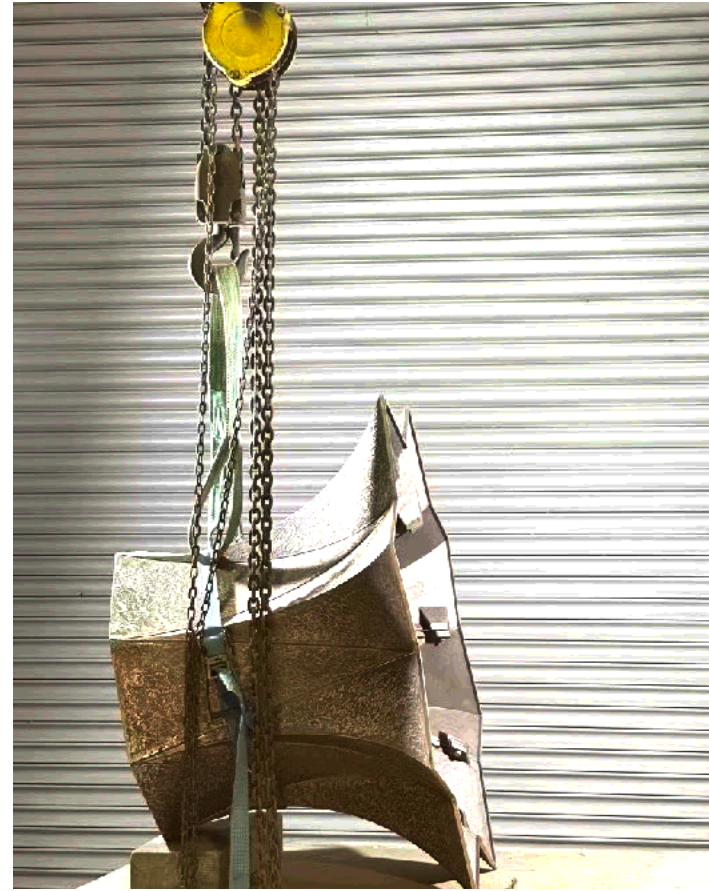
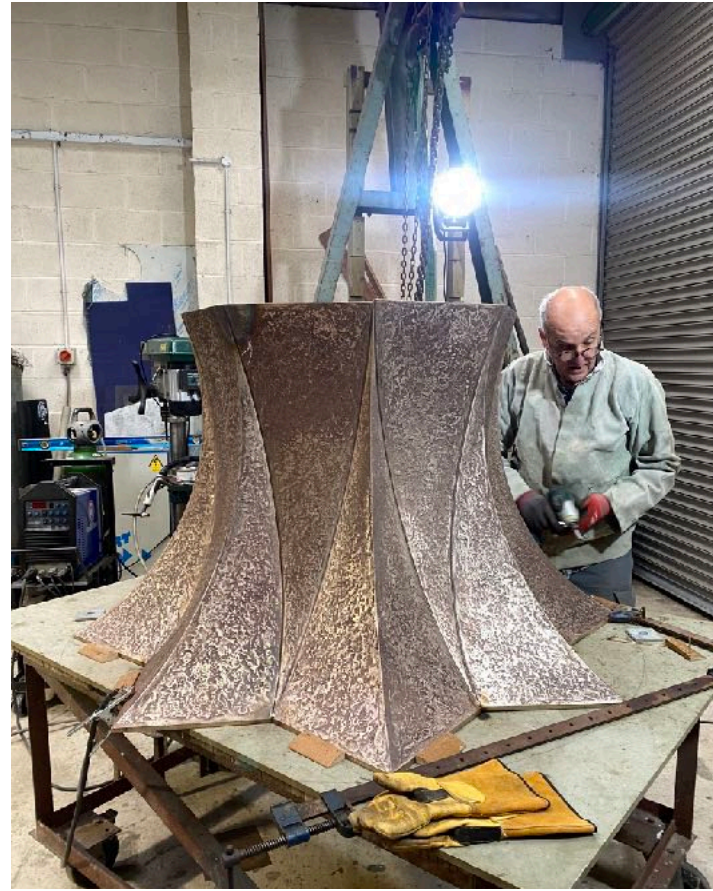
Changing light
Cathedral of St Philip, Atlanta



Altar details (1)
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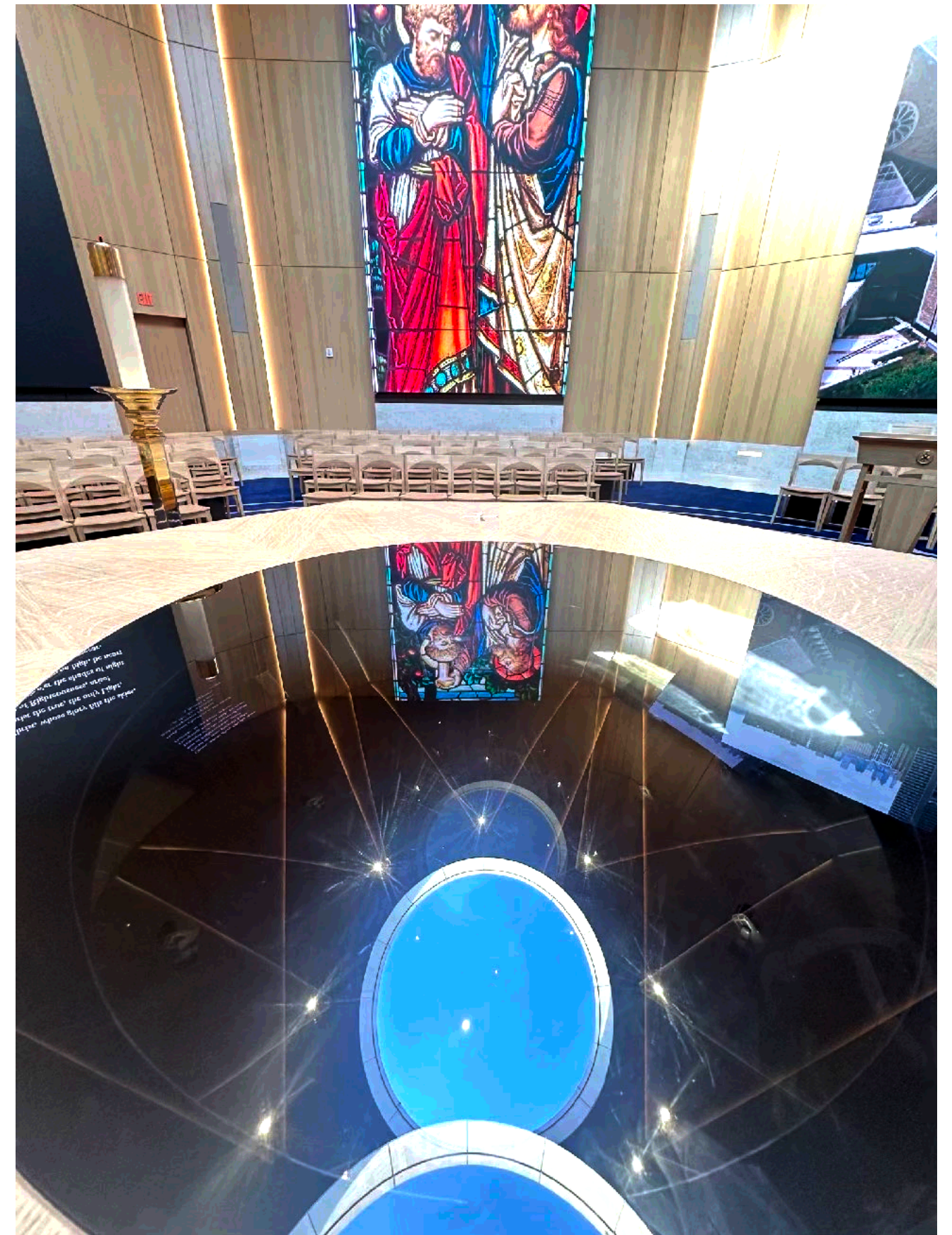
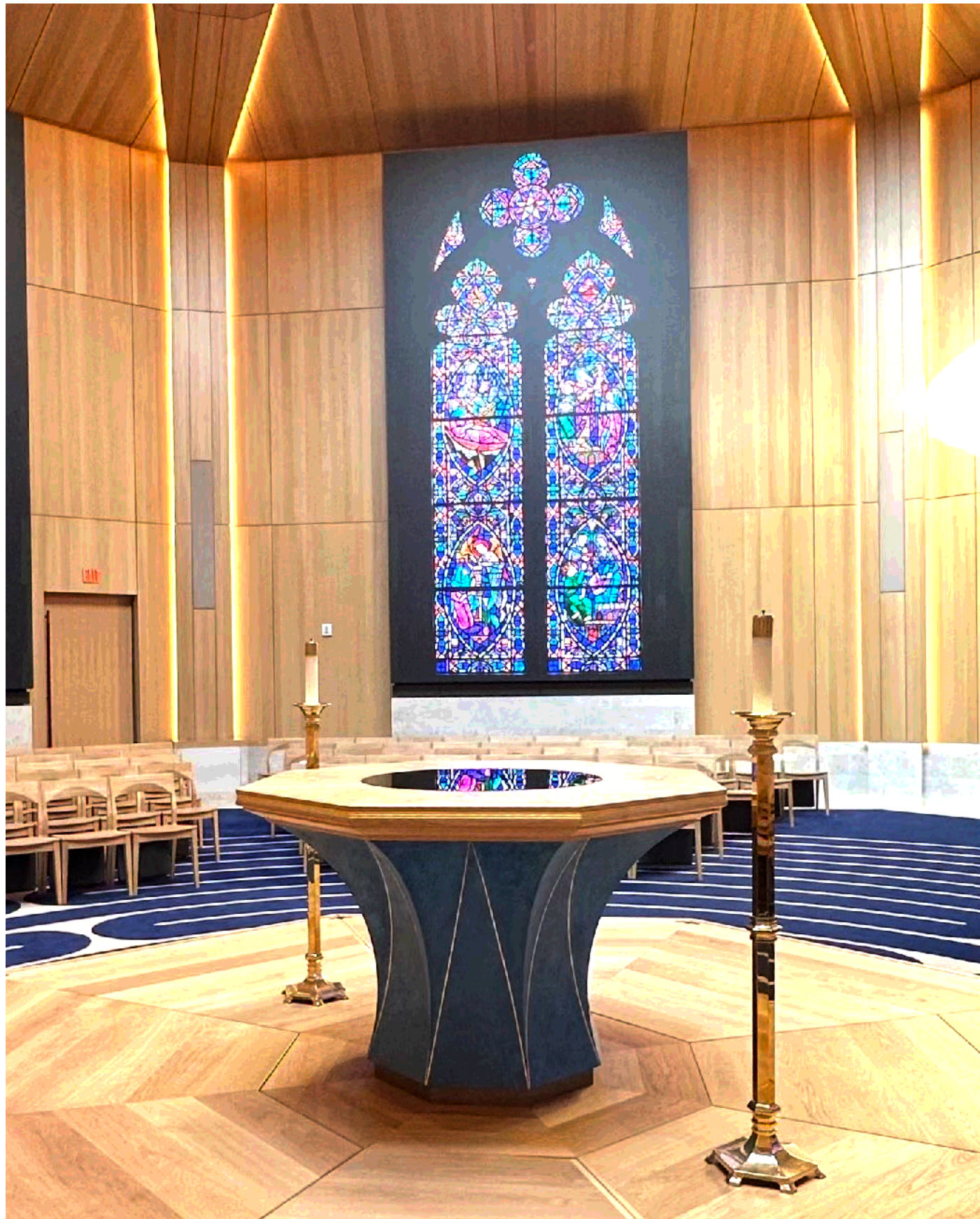
Altar details (2)
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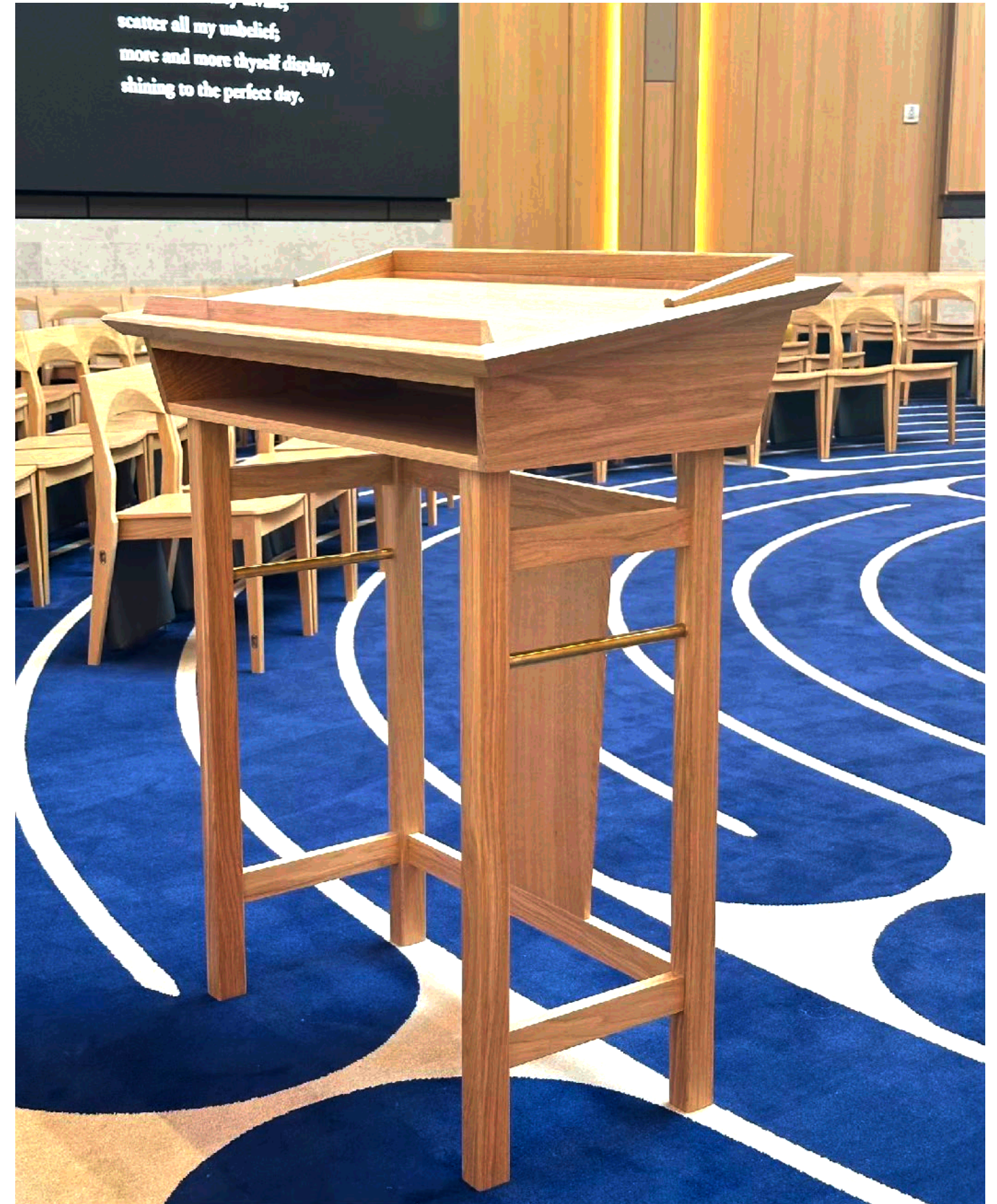
Constructing the altar

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Reflections
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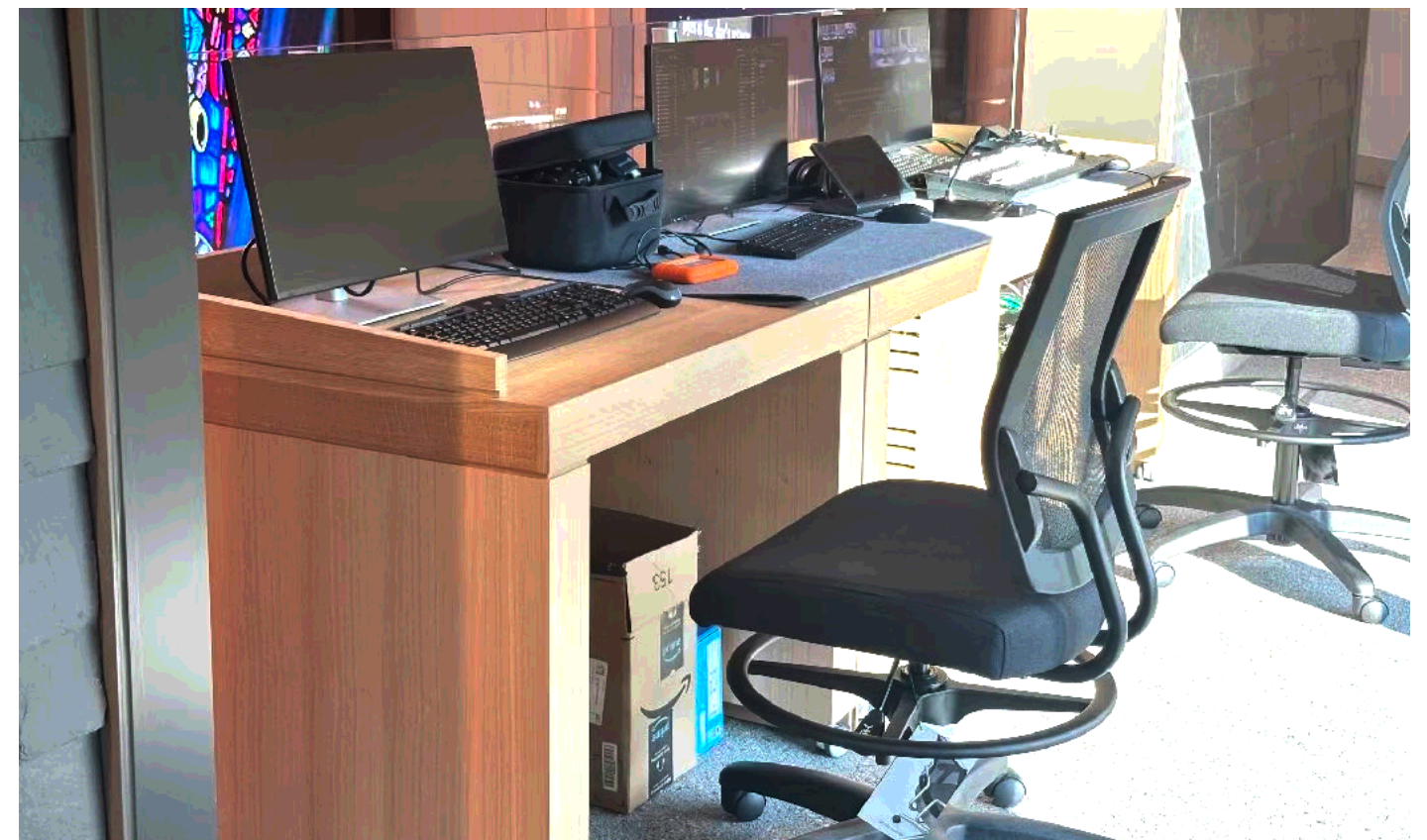
Lectern
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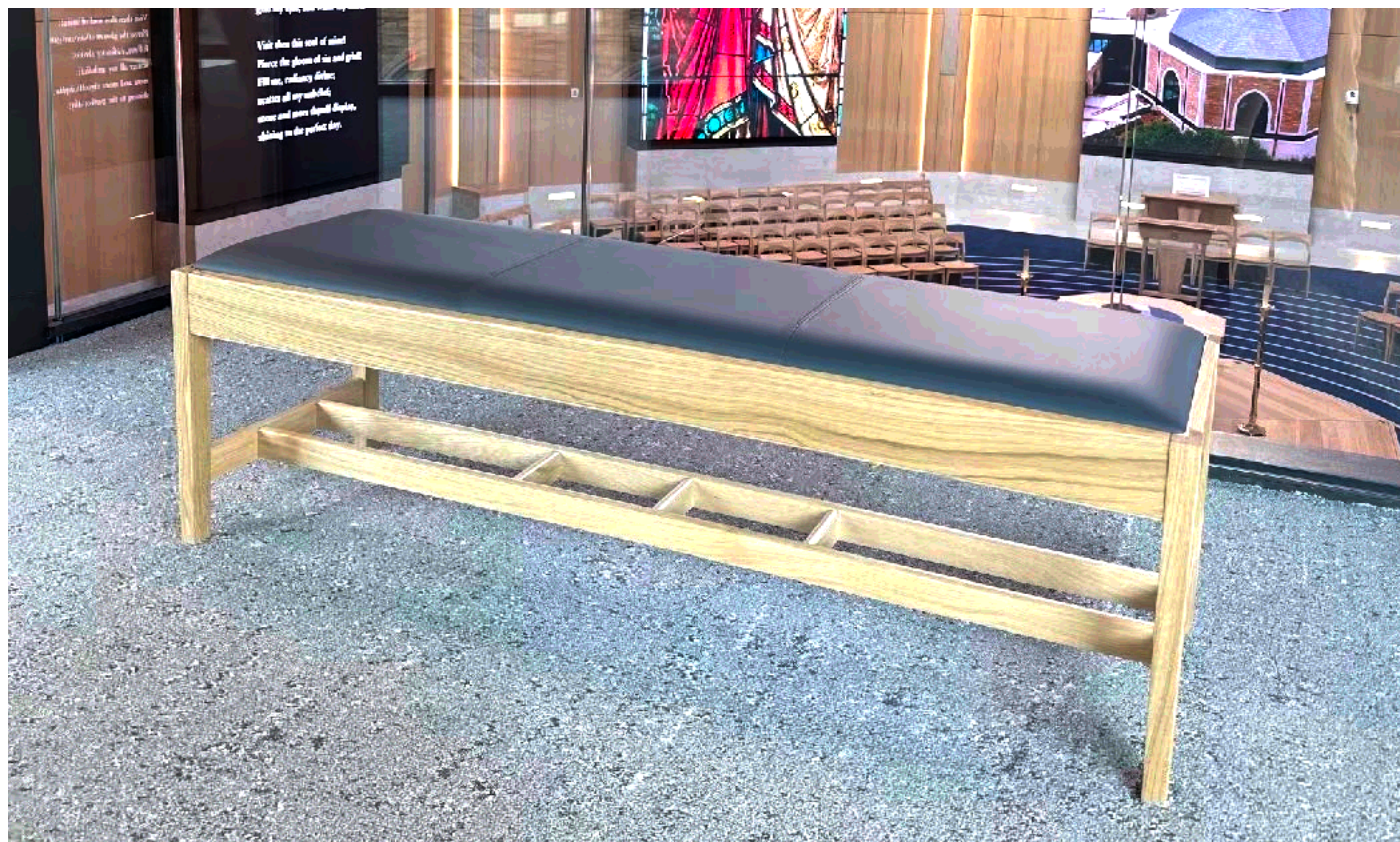
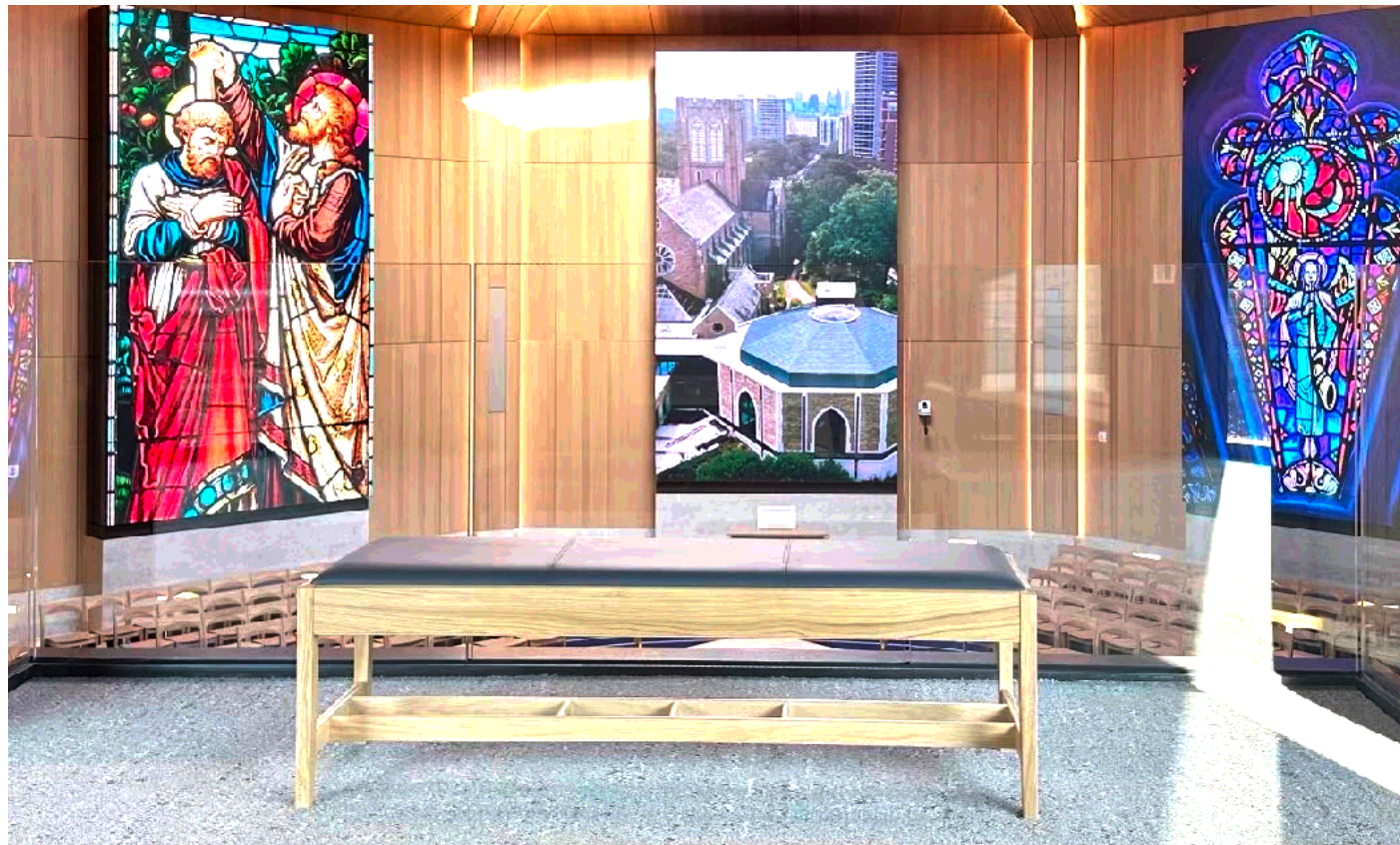
Lectern
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Credence table
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Sound desks
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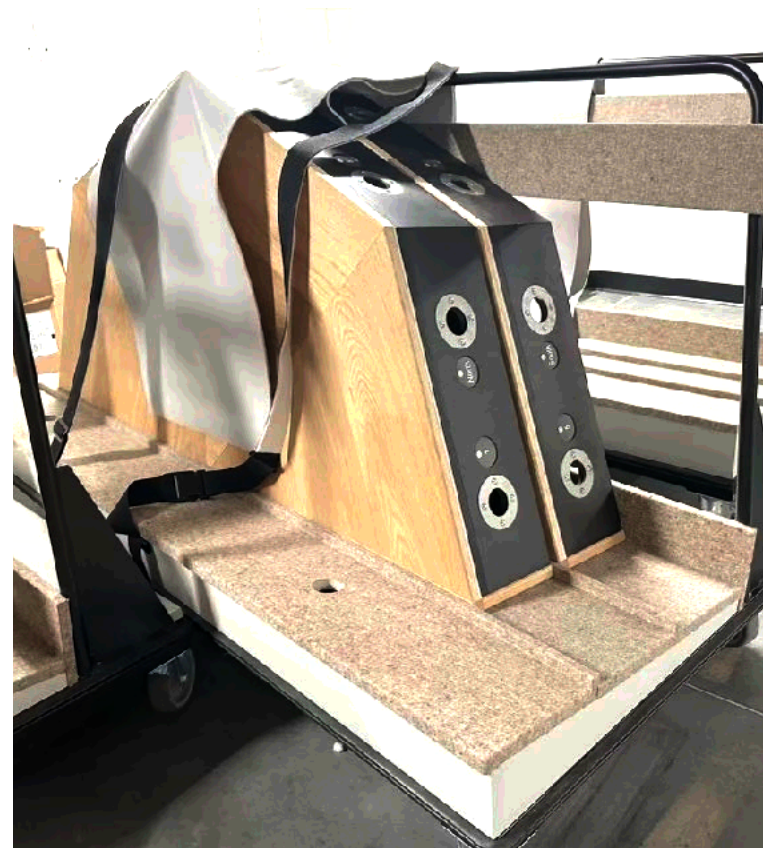
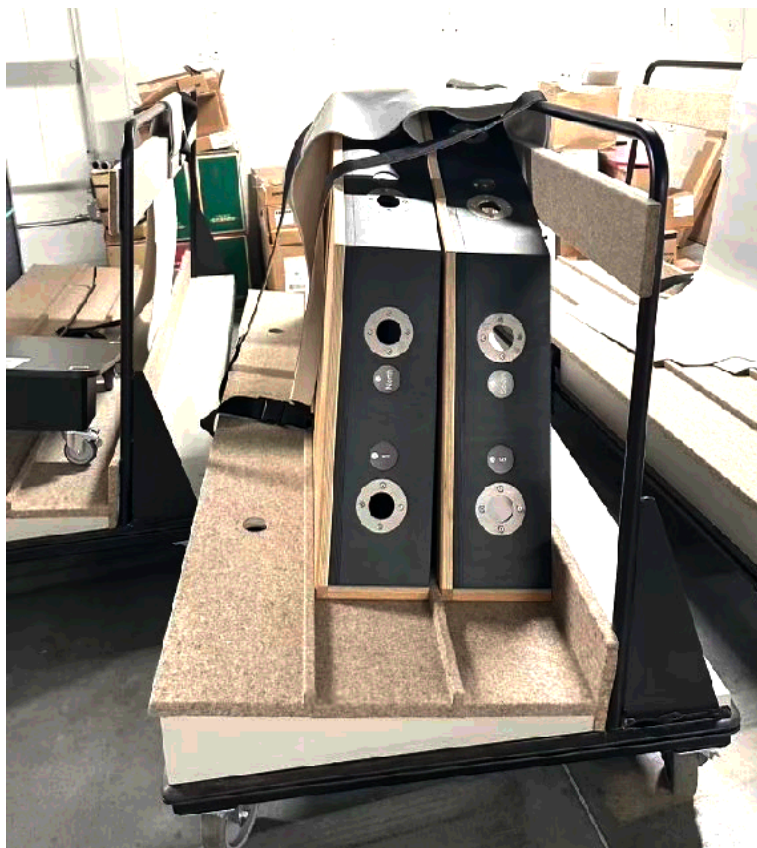
Low stools
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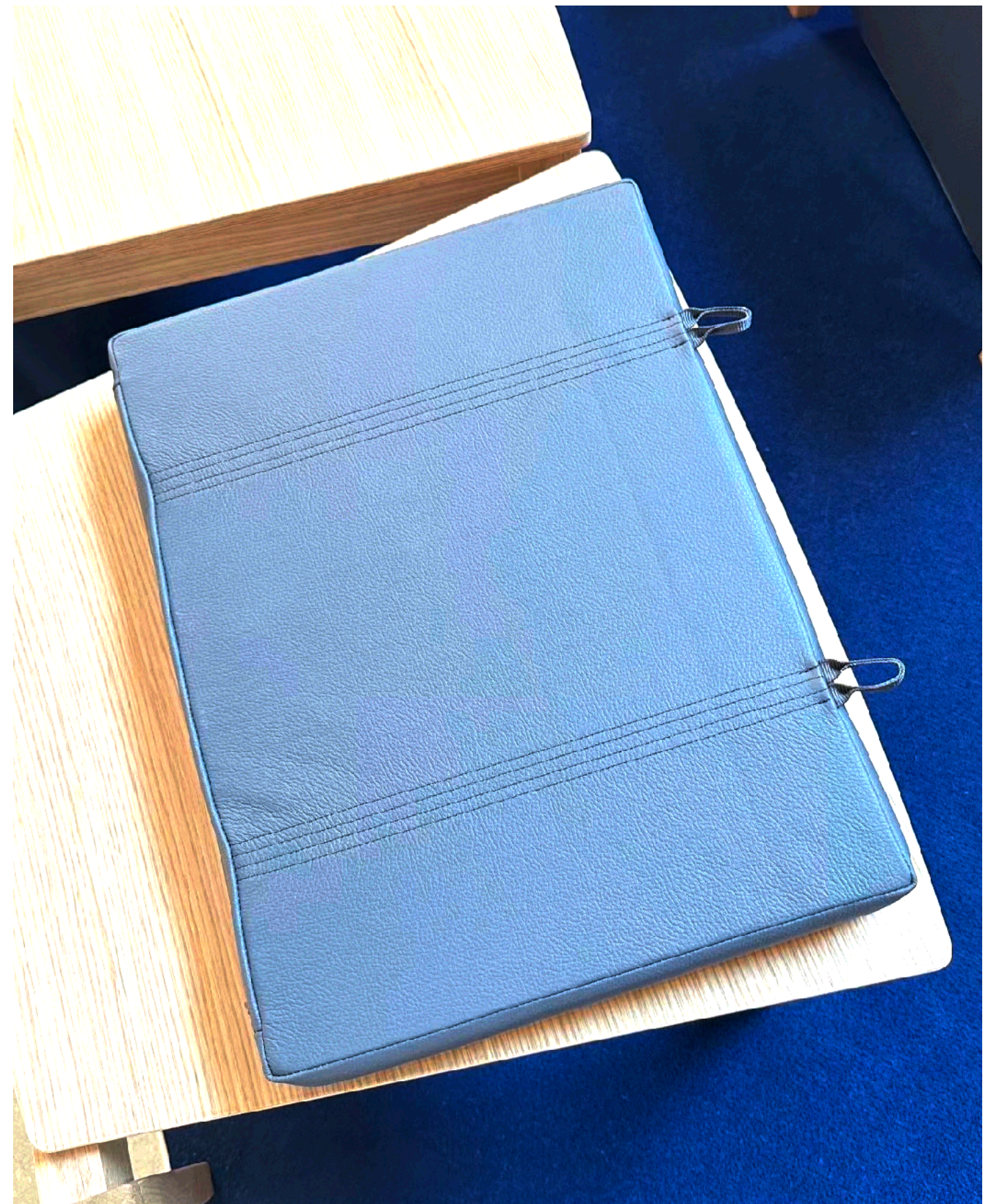
Changing light
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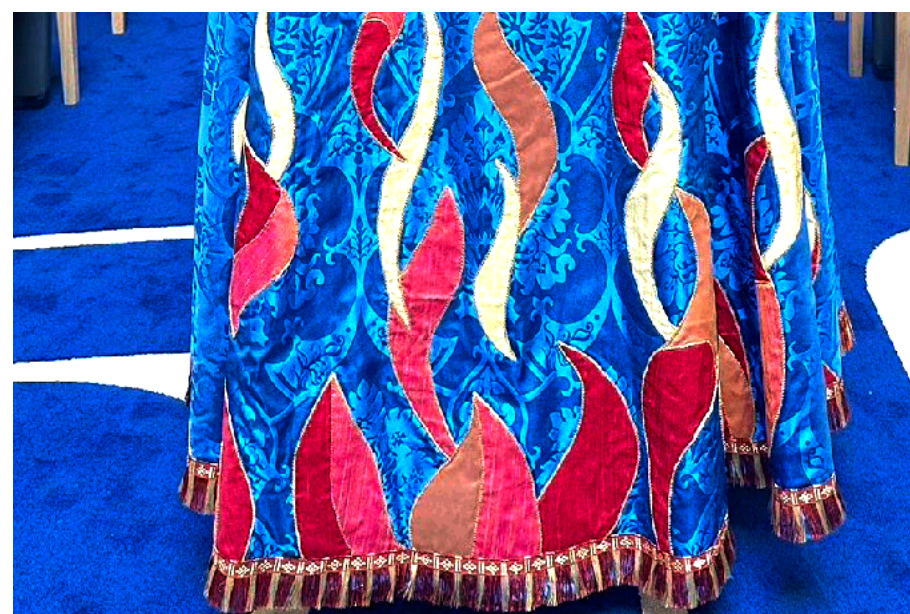
Seating (generally)
Cathedral of St Philip, Atlanta



Storage trolleys
Cathedral of St Philip, Atlanta



Kneelers
Cathedral of St Philip, Atlanta



Liturgy at work (with vestments by Watts & Co)

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Buildings of Worship

Select clients

All Hallows, Gospel Oak
All Saints' Church, Carshalton
All Saints' Church, Woodford
Arundel Cathedral
Bangor Cathedral
Benenden School Chapel
Boxgrove Priory
Bristol Cathedral
Canterbury Cathedral
Cathedral of the Incarnation, NY
Cathedral of St Philip, Atlanta
Chapel of the Resurrection, Valparaiso University
Charterhouse School Chapel
Chester Cathedral
Chichester Cathedral
Church of Holy Rood, Holybourne
Church of the Holy Spirit, Southsea
Clare College Chapel
Community Synagogue of Rye, NY
Congregation Beit Simchat Torah Synagogue, NYC
Congregation Habonim, NYC
Corpus Christi Jesuit Community, Christchurch
Dorchester Abbey
Durham Cathedral
Ely Cathedral
Epsom College Chapel
Exeter Cathedral
Farm Street Church
Hereford Cathedral
Highgate Cemetery
Holy Trinity, Cuckfield

Holy Trinity, Geneva
Hull Minster
Hurst Pierpoint College Chapel
Keble College Chapel
Lichfield Cathedral
Lincoln's Inn Chapel
Mucknell Abbey
New North London Synagogue
Our Lady of Pompeii, Chicago IL
Park Avenue Synagogue, NYC
Peterborough Cathedral
Portsmouth Cathedral
Rochester Cathedral
Salisbury Cathedral
Sheffield Cathedral
Shrewsbury Abbey
Shrewsbury School Chapel
Sidney Sussex College Chapel
Southwark Cathedral
St Alban's Church, Romford
St Andrew's, Holborn
St Andrew's, Alderton
St Andrew's, Feniton
St Andrew's, Southwark
St Andrew's, Stapleford
St Andrew's, Surbiton
St Augustine's, Rumney
St Barnabas, Dulwich
St Bartholomew's, Wilmslow
St Catherine's, Burbage
St Clement Dane's
St Dunstan's Episcopal Church, Madison WI
St Dunstan's Church, Mayfield

St Edmundsbury Cathedral
St Francis at the Engine Room
St George's Chapel, Windsor
St George's, Bloomsbury
St George's, Bristol
St George's, Oakdale
St Giles' Cathedral, Edinburgh
St Joan of Arc, Highbury
St John the Baptist, Tisbury
St John's Presbyterian Church, San Francisco, CA
St John's, Waterloo
St John's, Berwick St John
St John's, Blackheath
St John's, Notting Hill
St John's, Preston
St John's, Shirley
St John's, Tisbury
St John's Chapel, Tower of London
St Joseph's Hospice, Hackney
St Lawrence Jewry
St Luke's, Darien, CT
St Luke's, Chelsea
St Machar's Cathedral, Aberdeen
St Margaret Pattens
St Margaret's, Bethersden
St Mark's, Swindon
St Martin's, Barford St Martin
St Mary and St Giles, Stony Stratford
St Mary Magdalene, Newark
St Mary Magdalene, Richmond
St Mary the Less, Durham
St Mary the Virgin, Oxford
St Mary-at-Hill, Billingsgate

St Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside
St Mary's, Witney
St Mary's House, Brighton
St Mary's, Ealing
St Mary's, Easton
St Mary's, Fairford
St Mary's, Houghton-on-the-Hill
St Mary's, Iffley
St Mary's, Kempford
St Mary's, March
St Mary's, Shroton
St Mary's, Somers Town
St Mary's, Twickenham
St Mary's, Witney
St Mary's, Woodbridge
St Marylebone, Marylebone
St Matthew's, Wilton, CT
St Michael and All Angels, Kingsnorth
St Michael's, Stourport
St Paul's, Covent Garden
St Paul's Cathedral
St Paul's, Croxton
St Peter Ad Vincula, Tower of London
Temple Israel, NYC
The Royal Military Guards Chapel
The Temple Church
Trinity Wall Street, NYC
Westbourne Grove Methodist Church
Westminster Abbey
Westminster Cathedral
Westminster Synagogue
Winchester Cathedral
Winchester University Chapel
York Minster



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