Background

• Small church, not self-sustaining
• Did lots of visioning work to determine next steps
• Decided to “stay, redevelop and grow”
What did we want to do?

• Create a multi-purpose, wheelchair accessible, inviting space with updated sound system, air conditioning and new kitchen
• Build a space for a daycare in the basement to generate revenue
How we did it

• Sold 2 lots to City of Toronto to create a new park
• Used funds from sale of land to redevelop existing Sanctuary and put daycare in basement
Lessons learned:

• Seek out all available grants
• Build in larger contingency funds
• Talk to others who have done similar projects
• Details – width for casket at front steps, placement of electrical outlets
• Ensure sufficient volunteer base
• Consider next steps after renovation is completed