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Letter of Recommendation

It is with great confidence that I can recommend 845 Design Team for architectural design. St. Luke entered into a relationship with 845 through a careful vetting process of almost 15 architectural and design/build firms. Megan and Jamie stood head and shoulders above the others in several distinct ways;

They truly listened to our needs

They came prepared to a second interview meeting with concrete ideas and suggestions They had a process in place for garnering input from the congregation at large

They are a young team with great experience in the public use of institutional buildings. Quickly they were able to point out to us some of our challenges that we had not been able to articulate but knew somehow existed in our building. They visited St. Luke on our 'busy' days; Sunday mornings and Saturday afternoons to view the needs of the building first hand. The design they presented to us was creative, answered all of our needs, and allowed for future adaptation.

As well as being skilled architects, they are delightful to work with. Always reachable when we had a question. Provided drawings and documents in electronic form. Were well versed in local codes and ordinances. They are professional and polished. Over the months we worked together, we felt they came to love our project as much as we did!

I am happy to answer any questions potential clients might have!

In Christ,

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