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# Builders for Christ

Weekly Update from  
Immanuel Lutheran School, Hutchinson, MN



Dear volunteers,

I know the pictures don't look much different, but a lot was accomplished this week. The last of the larger trusses were set first thing Tuesday morning. Then it was on to setting the smaller ones over the hallway. There were about 70 of them varying in length from 7 to 14'. On Wednesday we started sheathing the roof with 5/8" OSB while some continued setting the trusses. We laid the last sheet at 1:30 Saturday afternoon and by 2:30 everything was nailed and the roof was cleared of tools and scraps and left over materials. I didn't get an actual count, but it was somewhere between 380 and 400 sheets. In the meantime, a crew finished installing the fire blocking in the entire building.

This coming week we will finish installing the stiffeners on the bottom cord of the trusses (rat runs), complete the fastening of the shear walls, start installing the hurricane clips (about 480 of them), frame and sheet the parapet walls (over 480'), and extend some of the interior walls to the roof deck between the rafters.

Praise God for the awesome crew and the favorable weather that has gotten us this far. To God be the glory!

Attached is a link to an article in the Hutchinson paper about our work here.

[https://www.crowrivermedia.com/hutchinsonleader/news/local/building-on-their-faith-group-provides-volunteer-labor-for-school-construction/article\\_69bb9c80-2cb5-11ee-9a68-2b93355422be.html?utm\\_medium=social&utm\\_source=email&utm\\_campaign=user-share](https://www.crowrivermedia.com/hutchinsonleader/news/local/building-on-their-faith-group-provides-volunteer-labor-for-school-construction/article_69bb9c80-2cb5-11ee-9a68-2b93355422be.html?utm_medium=social&utm_source=email&utm_campaign=user-share)

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