

St. John Francis Regis Chapel

DENVER, COLORADO

Services

MEP Engineering
Fire/Life Safety
Lighting

FAST FACTS

Architect

Soderstrom Architects

General Contractor

Fransen Pittman
Construction Company

Completion

2007

Building Size

26,000 sf

Project Cost

\$5.95 million

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As part of the Jesuit system, Regis University encourages students to place the church in the center of their lives. So when they chose to replace their WWII-era building, it made sense to make the building both functional and inspiring.

The design for the new chapel contains “precycled” materials, such as auto glass tile work. The chapel also utilizes extensive daylighting and provides sweeping views of Colorado’s Front Range.

Our lighting design showcases the natural wood ceiling with uplighting. Subtle lighting near entrances and along aisles helps guide people to their seats. Pendants create warm pools of light that congregants can use for reading.



In addition, Interface designed a snow melt system utilizing circulating glycol to keep the sidewalks clear in the harsh Denver winters.

The university felt it was important for the building to have an evening presence, both for students on campus and for members of the community. The outdoor lighting provides a warm and gentle glow, and creates a visual identity visible from nearby roadways.



All lighting is controllable, allowing the staff to lower the light levels and reduce energy costs when daylighting is sufficient. Interface also created a sophisticated CATV design, which allows the congregation to participate more fully in the chapel’s offerings.