

STONEWATER CHURCH

Location Granbury, TX
Project Type Religious: Church
Year 2008 Design, 2010 Scheduled Completion
Size 44,000 SF
Client StoneWater Church



Just a few years after its inception, the StoneWater congregation found the need to move out of its rented facility and into a permanent facility. The church located 24 acres on the northeastern edge of Granbury that seemed created just for their congregation. The northern portion of the property was covered with trees and the wide southern portion was treeless and flat as a pancake. The design takes advantage of these characteristics of the site. With a target demographic of men who typically don't feel comfortable in a church setting, the church wanted a design that would appeal to hunters, bikers and construction workers; therefore, the wooded portion of the site is used to create a "detox" zone that helps transition visitors from the daily grind of work to an "outdoorsy" casual worship experience. The buildings are grouped to create an outdoor courtyard that connects the buildings to the woods. Parking is hidden from the street by taking advantage of the flat fields on the interior portion of the site.

