Case Study: Apex Baptist Church Apex, North Carolina

“When we set out looking for new seating options in our worship center, Sauder’s versatility, quality and service made them the right choice,” John Mark Harrison, Lead Pastor at Apex Baptist Church. Apex Baptist Church is a shining example of how to achieve a multi-faceted application of worship seating products into one space with one purpose in mind - sharing God’s word.

Originally, the committee at Apex Baptist Church wanted to use auditorium seating exclusively. As the project progressed and the Sauder team began to understand the needs of the congregation, the seating layout developed into a combination of Clarity auditorium seats, Radiance™ curved pews and mitered pews in the balcony with the first row made up of metal flexible chairs. The various seating options provide the best possible use of the interior space.

The main floor of the sanctuary has one row of metal flexible chairs, the second row uses Radiance curved pews, followed by several rows of Clarity auditorium seating. The curved aisles lead to the altar and further enhance the sense of community the curved application of the seating provides. The balcony also uses a combination of seating options including four rows of Clarity auditorium seating with a back row of mitered pews conforming to the back wall.

The ability to combine different types of seating allowed for maximum seating capacity varying from traditional pews to contemporary auditorium seats. The worship space continues to evoke a traditional feeling through the use of pew end on the aisles throughout the worship space. The Sauder team worked with Apex Baptist Church throughout the process to provide as many options on floor planning as possible which resulted in a successful worship space.

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About Saint Francis of Assisi
Apex Baptist Church in Apex, NC is located about 20 minutes outside Raleigh. Apex Baptist Church has served the community for many years based on the vision to make Disciples of Christ as an authentic community of believers worshipping God everywhere they go, becoming more like Him everyday and serving everyone they meet. To learn more about Apex Baptist Church visit www.apexbaptist.org.

About Sauder Worship Seating
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