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DeLand stained glass winters in Wisconsin

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Historic stained-glass windows from St. Barnabas, DeLand, are spending time up north while they undergo a year-long restoration project. The project is financed in part by a historical-preservation grant from the Bureau of Historical Preservation, Division of Historic Resources, Florida Department of State, assisted by the Florida Historic Commission.

The church plans to restore the south foundation of the sanctuary, which was built in 1864, and also conserve and restore 10 historic stained-glass windows. Most of the windows were crafted by the Louis Comfort Tiffany studios in the late 1800s and

early 1900s.

St Barnabas has served the community for 125 years and is the oldest building used on a daily basis in DeLand. Among the many ministries offered by St. Barnabas to the community are financial assistance to the needy through faith at work; professional counseling offered on a sliding-fee scale; and food for the homeless through a Wednesday-night soup kitchen.

The church also operates St. Barnabas Episcopal School – a Blue Ribbon school in 2004 – teaching pre-kindergarten through eighth grade with more than 375 students enrolled this year.

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The "Good Shepherd" window was made by Tiffany and given to St. Barnabas around 1886. Temporary translucent prints serve until the windows' return.