

FCCW Council ~ October 2021: Board and Committee Reports

Trustees (Sam):

- The portion of the fallen tree that lies on the walkway in front of the parsonage will be removed by the State DOT. The damaged part of the northerly tree that still stands will be removed by a tree service, cost covered by the church. We are on the docket with Eversource to solicit the removal of the more southerly tree, given that a guy wire from the utility pole across Route 169 is affixed to the tree. Thanks to Jim Nowak and Rick Singh for help with arguments with both DOT and Eversource.
- A recurring problem of groundwater seepage on the lower level of the church, at the bottom of the middle stairs and into the nursery, requires wet vac-ing twice a day. There is no easy solution, says Stan Swanson of the PMT (Property Management Team).
- Church septic tanks were pumped on October first and 4th.
- At our meeting on October 5th, the trustees decided to hire Painters Pride of Framingham to do the painting of the exterior of the sanctuary in spring of 2022. Our reasons for the choice include the thoroughness of Bud Killam’s proposal, a price within our means, and a history of his having painted over 600 churches.
- The position of Music Director has been posted by Rev. Kevin.

Outreach (Jen D):

- *2021 Disbursement of Funds* –October meeting focused solely on disbursement of 2021 Outreach funds. At the *Intergenerational Service* on Sunday, September 26th, Outreach collected suggestions from congregation. Unallocated funds = \$500.

TEEG	\$500.00
Quiet Corner Cares – Sober Living House	\$1,000.00
Quiet Corner Refugee Resettlement	\$1,000.00
The Last Green Valley – Education Program	\$500.00
Northeast Opportunities for Wellness - NOW	\$500.00

- *Crop Walk* was held on Sunday, October 3rd at 2:30 in Putnam. Of the 5 area churches participating, FCCW had the most walkers. FCCW raised approximately \$1,200.
- *Faith in Action* article – Continuing to ask members of the congregation to submit “Faith in Action” articles. The *Faith in Action* articles focus on members of our congregation that are passionate about and volunteer their time to a cause or organization (outside of FCCW). Goal is to inform and inspire others.
- *Soup for the Soul* initiative –Possible partnership with Putnam Housing Authority to deliver monthly soup to residents of New Roxbury Village in Woodstock. Northeast Health District has created some barriers that we will discuss at November meeting.

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Stewardship (Paula):

- Stewardship activity for September and early October included a September meeting
- Creating an electronic mailing that included photos and a faith story
- Kick off of the 2022 Stewardship Campaign on 9.26.21 during intergenerational worship using a timeline, slideshow and faith story by Aimee and Carolina Ahearn.
- Mailing packets to members and friends on 10.9.21
- Stewardship Committee meetings planned for 10.21 and 11.18
- 10.24 Blessing of the pledges

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