



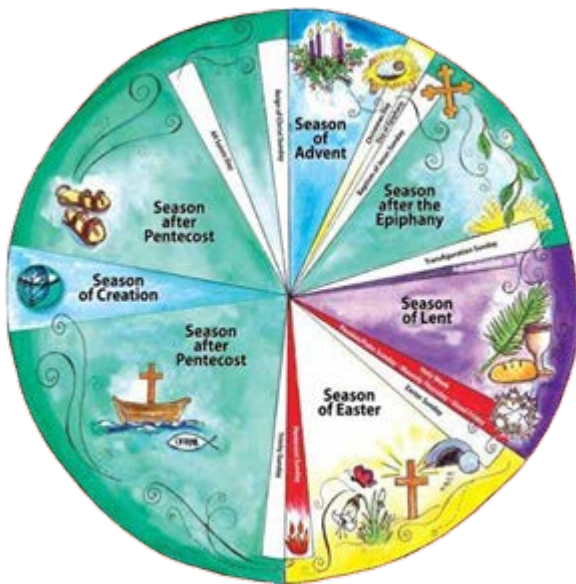
Steeple Sounds

The monthly newsletter of Central Square Congregational Church, UCC
July 2024

We are a Christian community of people who are reaching out to our neighbors, at home and abroad, sharing our faith and our resources.

From the Desk of Rev. Beth

Rev. Elizabeth Stotts, Pastor



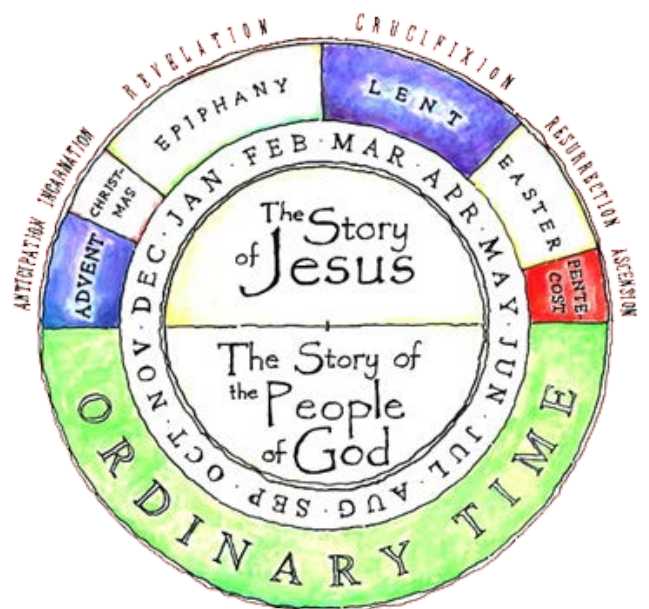
On the liturgical calendar, the time between Pentecost (May) and Advent (late November) is called the “Season of Creation” or the “Season After Pentecost” or “Ordinary Time”. During this season we explore stories of our faith and all the ways God moves through creation. It is a season of growth, both in the natural world and within our own hearts. As the earth flourishes with life, we too can cultivate new passions, strengthen our faith, and deepen our connections with one another.

In the midst of picnics, vacations, trips to the beach, and lazy afternoons spent under the shade of a tree, let us not forget the importance of nurturing our souls. This season offers us the gift of time – time to reflect, time to pray, and time to listen to the whispers of our innermost selves. It is a season to rekindle our relationship with the divine and to seek guidance on the paths that lie ahead.

As we gather in worship and in fellowship this summer, let us do so with open hearts and minds, ready to embrace the opportunities for growth and transformation that lie before us. Let us find inspiration in the beauty of creation and in the stories of those who have walked before us, their lives a testament to the power of faith and resilience.

May this season of renewal fill you with hope and joy, and may you emerge from it refreshed and invigorated, ready to embark on the next chapter of your journey with a renewed sense of purpose and determination.

Rev. Beth





Central Square Congregational Church, UCC, of Bridgewater, Massachusetts is an open and affirming church. No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

Remote Worship on Facebook and YouTube

Sunday Worship will continue to be livestreamed from the Sanctuary at 10 a.m., through August 4.

Use the link on the homepage of www.cscucc.org to access Sunday worship, or visit our Facebook page. Past worship services are also available in both places.

August 11 - September 1 Worship

Sunday worship on August 11, 18, 25, and Sept 1 will be **outdoors** at the picnic table and the front lawn. Important things to know:

- These services will be **in person only**.
- These services will begin at **9AM**. (It gets too hot starting at 10.)
- Feel free to bring your breakfast!



~~Please note that the office will be closed July 1-12 while our Office Manager is out on medical leave.~~

Note that there has been a change since the printing of the paper copy of this newsletter.

The office will be closed July 10-26 while our Office Manager is out on medical leave.

Beginning July 30, the summer hours are expected to resume:

**Tue, Wed, Thu 9am-1pm
and by appointment**

Please also remember that Rev. Beth is on sabbatical July 1 - August 5

Next Cabinet meeting is Wednesday, August 21, 7pm

Monthly meetings of the church leadership are currently being held in the Fellowship Hall. All church members are also welcome to attend.



Bridgewater Food Pantry

at Central Square
Congregational Church, UCC

**Open Thursdays, 10am-1pm and the
first Monday of the month, 6-7:30pm**

www.cscucc.org/food-pantry

The Bridgewater Food Pantry, hosted and supported by CSCC, is open Thursdays, 10am-1pm, and the first Mondays of the month, 6-7:30pm, except holidays. All Bridgewater residents who are in need of food are welcome.

If you are a Bridgewater resident unable to come to the food pantry, but are in need of food, please contact the church office by email or phone (below) and arrangements will be made for you.



CARING FOR OUR COMMUNITY

Do you need a meal, a call, spiritual care, or even just a prayer or a chat? Contact the Pastor, a Deacon, the church office, or a member of our Care Team.

To contact Rev. Beth, call the church office at 508-697-6016 or email her at csccpastor@hotmail.com

Deacons

Deb Sorgman

— debsorgman@gmail.com

Anne Malmquist

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Savannah Wells, Jr. Deacon

CSCC Care Team

Carol Chaffee

Bev Mitchell

Rev. Beth Stotts

Nina Gabel-Jorgensen



Coins for Kids Church: July 7

Don't forget to bring your spare change for the Coins for Kids Church collection! This helps to

pay for Kids Church supplies and teaching materials.



Summer Fellowship Time

Our after-worship fellowship time of coffee, desserts, and conversations is suspended for the summer. Perhaps some Sunday a pop-up time of cold drinks and treats will happen with some simple planning and preparation. If anyone would like to help on a particular Sunday, please let me know and we can make that happen. I can be reached at 508-345-3744.

Thank you to everyone who helped with fellowship time this past year. Your willing hands before, during, and after fellowship time made the job so much easier.

Connie Chandler

CSCC Team Leadership 2024-25

Spiritual/Congregational Engagement Team Leaders:

Carol Chaffee, Linda Chipman,
Deb Sorgman, Eric Stotts

Property & Finance Team Leaders:
Dave Hanson, John Sharland

Community Engagement Team Leaders:
Heather Ciaramitaro, Diane Glass, Terry Reynolds

Venmo!

All types of donations to CSCC are welcome via Venmo. Aim your phone camera below, or use the Venmo app to send your donation to [@cscucc-ucc](https://www.venmo.com/cscucc-ucc)



Did you know that Venmo has fewer fees to the church than Paypal? So if you can't decide which one to use, choose Venmo.



Note: Special July Hours Below

**CENTRAL CLOSET
THRIFT SHOP**
AT CSCC
www.cscucc.org/thrift-shop

JULY HOURS 2024
CLOSED JULY 1-13
JULY 17 - 31: WED & FRI, 10-1

**Central Closet Thrift Shop will be closed
July 1 thru July 13**

The shop will reopen July 17th at 10am.

**Our summer hours will be
Wednesday 10-1 and FRIDAY 10-1**
(we will be closed on Saturdays for the
months of July and August.)

We are currently accepting new or gently used summer clothing, footwear, pocketbooks, jewelry, glassware, household items, toys, books, DVDs, and CDs. July is the last month to donate summer merchandise.

We ask all to save your donations during our summer vacation and drop them off on or after July 17th during shop hours.

Starting August 1st, donations of Fall merchandise will be accepted. Please limit donations to 20 items per visit.

Thanks to all for supporting us in our mission to help the church. We have been successful thanks to all of you.

Connie, Sandy, Jane, Lynn, and Gail



**Care TEAM Corner-doing God's work for
the church**

Today, as I write this, has been a day about TEAM, being a TEAM, playing on a TEAM, working together like a TEAM, taking one for the TEAM, TEAM building 101.

Our TEAM is CSCC. Being on a TEAM takes time, commitment, hard work, and more, much more.

Can you be a regular player, or maybe pinch hit every so often? Our TEAM needs all of us to play the game.

Please consider joining me on the Church Fair TEAM, a great and successful way for our church to raise funds, have fun together, become a closer church family, BE A TEAM. IT'S FUN..... REALLY!!!!!!

Carol Chaffee



**Central closet thrift shop will be hosting a multi family
yard sale on August 17th, 9-2**

Tables will be rented to interested parties for \$25, at a first-come basis. This sale will be on the front lawn of the church, right on Central Square. Lots of traffic and lots of foot traffic. Should be the perfect spot for anyone wanting to have a sale!

Rain date August 24th. For more information, contact Connie Chandler, 508-345-3744, CGChandler7@hotmail.com; or Lynn Pietras, 508-250-8257, lsypie@aol.com.



sabbatical

rest | refresh | refocus

Rev. Beth will be on sabbatical July 1 - August 5.

We are pleased to welcome Pastor Anine de Grood, MID to our Sunday services in Rev. Beth's absence.

Originally from the Netherlands, Anine grew up atheist but found a religious connection in the practice of classical dance from India. After moving to the US with her Indian husband Kuldeep in 2002, she was active in Unitarian



Universalist churches for several years before slowly converting to Christianity and joining the UCC. Now she is a passionate preacher of Jesus' message of love and inclusion, and a Member in Discernment in the United Church of Christ. Anine has a Masters in Social Anthropology from the University of Amsterdam and a Masters in Divinity from Boston University, and is currently the

student minister at United Parish of Auburndale and at Agape Spiritual Community. She has two children, Naomi (18) and Oliver (15), and she teaches piano and Indian dance part-time.

This summer, Pastor Anine will offer reflections based on a song she wrote about the life and teachings of Jesus. On July 7 we will start with Jesus' birth and baptism, and on August 4 we will end with how we remember Jesus and his teachings by breaking bread together. Over the course of five Sundays, the reflections will include several highlights of Jesus' ministry, and every time Anine will teach new lines of her song that we will sing together. Come join us!



Annual Meeting Voting Results

At the annual meeting, held Sunday, June 9, the following items were voted on:

- The proposal to combine the Congregational Engagement and Spiritual Engagement Teams, for a trial period of one year, was approved.

- The slate of officer and Team leader nominees was approved as follows:

Officers

Moderator: Anne Malmquist

Clerk: Nina Gabel-Jorgensen

Treasurer: David Sheibley

Asst. Treasurer: Philip Chaffee

Financial Secretary: Judy Pino

Congregational & Spiritual Engagement Team:

Carol Chaffee

Linda Chipman

Deb Sorgman

Eric Stotts

Community Engagement Team:

Heather Ciaramitaro

Diane Glass

Terry Reynolds

Property & Finance Team:

David Hanson

John Sharland

[still one open seat]

- The annual report was accepted.
- The proposed budget for the 2024-25 fiscal year was approved as presented.



Fundraising Plan

Central Square Congregational Church, UCC (Draft, Jan. 2024)

The Property & Finance Team was charged by Cabinet to prepare a Fundraising Plan that would be used annually to make up any budget deficit. In turn, the Team asked for volunteers to write a plan. Lynn Pietras and Sandy Kuipers volunteered. It is important to note that with few exceptions, the success of this plan depends on volunteers from the congregation stepping up to carry out the efforts. Anticipated dollar amounts raised for each of these efforts is not included at this time, and until some experience in each effort is realized. This is a living

document in that some items are one time and some items will prove to be not worth the effort.

The following are ideas to raise money to support the work of the church:

- Sanctuary rental for weddings (current charge is \$500 for non-members)
- Hilliards fundraising candy bars (already being sold)
- On-line sales
- Food sales, for example, during Lent clam chowder and corn chowder
- Dinners
- Brick walkway funded by engraved brick sales
- Yard sales, spring or summer
- Raffles (mystery Items) (All games of chance to be approved by Cabinet in advance)
- Cookbooks
- Restaurant coupon books
- Music concerts
- Calendar with pictures of church activities, members, Kids Church
- Silent movie with pianist
- Silent auction
- Art auction using outside company that provides the art pieces and runs the auction
- Gourmet popcorn
- Cookie dough
- T-Shirts
- Pizza
- Coffee beans
- Wrapping paper
- Game night

Contact John Sharland or David Hanson, or the church office, if you are interested in participating in any of these projects, or if you have an idea of your own for a fundraiser.

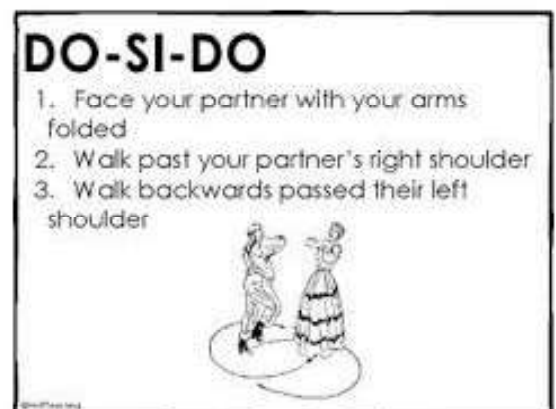


Who Doesn't Love A Parade?

Let our CSCC pride show forth as we join together on our church float. You can help decorate the float, you can show up to march in front or behind the float. You can ride on the float. All ages welcome. You can be you! Last year, I did a do-si-do with the police chief, while on the parade route.

We'll meet behind Harrington Hall, Grove Street, in the parking lot about 9 AM on July 4th. See you then.

Carol Chaffee



***The church building will also be open during the parade
for the public's access to restrooms.***

The following report was inadvertently omitted from the Annual Report draft. It was offered verbally during the Annual Meeting, and approved to be added to the Annual Report.

Report of the Church Delegate

I have been our delegate to the wider church for about 20 years now. The delegate attends ecclesiastical councils, ordinations, and installations for new pastors seeking standing in the Pilgrim Association, and the Spring and Fall meetings of the Association, and is expected to also attend the annual meeting of the Southern New England Conference. While it would be nice to attend this year's Conference Annual Meeting, being held at my alma mater, UMass/Amherst, in June, I did not register because I have decided to resign as your local church delegate.

This 20-year experience has been the greatest joy for me, deepening my faith, expanding my knowledge of the wider church and listening to some of the most powerful sermons by nationally-recognized pastors. Listening to Statement of Faith papers, given by candidates for ordination at ecclesiastical councils, and then voting to grant standing in the Pilgrim Association, has been the most profound event for me as a delegate, over and over again.

Being a local church delegate also put me into the "pool" of candidates at the conference level to be chosen as a delegate to General Synod and I was elected to that position, attending the 2019 and 2021 General Synods in Baltimore and Milwaukee, respectively. The conference pays all expenses for these trips.

If need be, our church will pay expenses for such things as attending the conference annual meeting, which recently has been held at the DCU Center in Worcester.

I would be more than happy to discuss this role and its reward with anyone who feels the call to become our next delegate.

With gratitude for your 20 years of re-electing me your delegate, I am,
Sincerely yours,

John Sharland



Empty Nest, Empty Heart? by Sheri Turner

I've been a mother since 1997. Honestly, raising children and doing a good job by them has mattered more to me than anything else has in my life. Raising children who are confident, kind, giving, responsible critical thinkers who are loving, open-minded and hard working has been my purpose for 26 years.

Thank goodness I have had such a wonderful partner to help me do it. He is intelligent, loving, open-minded, kind, funny, pragmatic and the most ethical person I know. Truly a wonderful father and partner.

I have been truly blessed to be a small part of my family's journey through this life. So where am I going with this? Truth is, I'm not sure. I have enjoyed the journey to create a loving family, but now what? I mean, I know I'll always be their mother, but now that I believe that I have successfully contributed to the development of three strong-minded individuals who are independent and successful in their own right, what do I do now?

I have been very sad since completing my mission. I mean, I wouldn't want it any other way, but what do you do when you've accomplished your purpose? Lest I sound too proud and arrogant, I am not saying I did a perfect job. Of course I worry about things, and truthfully probably always will. However my children are definitely authentically themselves. Whatever decisions they make are their own. They never have been carbon copies of their parents. Sometimes that made things more difficult, but their thoughts and actions are genuinely their own.

That means accepting that they will forge their own paths as they see fit. I am so proud of all three of them for being capable of that. I'm sad too though. Sad that my time with them grows short. Sad that they no longer need my assistance like they once did.

But I'm hopeful too. Hopeful that something God has yet to share with me will fill the space that has been left in my heart where taking care of my children used to reside. I am hoping I am ready when God's call comes, whether it is a still small voice or loud as thunder.

To find this Lectionary online, visit www.sneucc.org/Lectionary



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Living the Love & Justice of Jesus

Daily Lectionary Scripture References – July 2024 (Year B)

Mon., July 1

Psalm 18:1-6, 43-50
1 Samuel 23:14-18
2 Corinthians 8:16-24

Tues., July 2

Psalm 18:1-6, 43-50
1 Samuel 31:1-13
2 Corinthians 9:1-5

Wed., July 3

Psalm 18:1-6, 43-50
1 Chronicles 10:1-14
Mark 9:14-29

Thurs., July 4

Psalm 48
2 Samuel 2:1-11
1 Corinthians 4:8-13

Fri., July 5

Psalm 48
2 Samuel 3:1-12
2 Corinthians 10:7-11

Sat., July 6

Psalm 48
2 Samuel 3:31-38
Matthew 8:18-22

Sun., July 7

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10
Psalm 48
2 Corinthians 12:2-10
Mark 6:1-13

Mon., July 8

Psalm 21
2 Samuel 5:1-10
2 Corinthians 11:16-33

Tues., July 9

Psalm 21
2 Samuel 5:11-16
James 5:7-12

Wed., July 10

Psalm 21
2 Samuel 5:17-25
John 7:1-9

Thurs., July 11

Psalm 24
Exodus 25:10-22
Colossians 2:1-5

Fri., July 12

Psalm 24
Exodus 37:1-16
Colossians 4:2-18

Sat., July 13

Psalm 24
Numbers 10:11-36
Luke 1:57-80

Sun., July 14

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19
Psalm 24
Ephesians 1:3-14
Mark 6:14-29

Mon., July 15

Psalm 68:24-35
2 Samuel 6:6-12a
Acts 21:27-39

Tues., July 16

Psalm 68:24-35
2 Samuel 3:12-16
Acts 23:12-35

Wed., July 17

Psalm 68:24-35
2 Samuel 6:16-23
Luke 7:31-35

Thurs., July 18

Psalm 89:20-37
1 Chronicles 11:15-19
Colossians 1:15-23

Fri., July 19

Psalm 89:20-37
1 Chronicles 14:1-2
Acts 17:16-31

Sat., July 20

Psalm 89:20-37
1 Chronicles 15:1-2, 16:4-13
Luke 18:35-43

Sun., July 21

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
2 Samuel 7:1-14a
Psalm 89:20-37
Ephesians 2:11-22
Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Mon., July 22

Psalm 61
2 Samuel 7:18-29
Hebrews 13:17-25

Tues., July 23

Psalm 61
2 Samuel 8:1-18
Acts 20:17-38

Wed., July 24

Psalm 61
2 Samuel 9:1-13
Luke 15:1-7

Thurs., July 25

Psalm 14
2 Samuel 10:1-5
Colossians 1:9-14

Fri., July 26

Psalm 14
2 Samuel 10:6-12
Colossians 3:12-17

Sat., July 27

Psalm 14
2 Samuel 10:13-19
John 4:31-38

Sun., July 28

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
2 Samuel 11:1-15
Psalm 14
Ephesians 3:14-21
John 6:1-21

Mon., July 29

Psalm 37:12-22
2 Samuel 11:14-21
Philippians 4:10-20

Tues., July 30

Psalm 37:12-22
2 Samuel 11:22-27
Romans 15:22-33

Wed., July 31

Psalm 37:12-22
2 Chronicles 9:29-31
Mark 6:35-44

JULY 2024						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
*Unless otherwise noted, worship services are both online and in-person	1 6-7:30pm Food Pantry Open	2 9-11 Church office open 7pm Women's NA	3 9-11 Church office open	4 Church building open for restrooms during the parade 9am Parade float 7pm AI-Anon	5	6
7 10am Communion Worship* 7:30pm AA Meeting	8	9 9-11 Church office open 7pm Women's NA	10	11 10-1 Food Pantry Open 7pm AI-Anon	12	13
14 10am Worship* 7:30pm AA Meeting	15 Steeple Sounds submissions due!	16 7pm Women's NA	17 10-1 Thrift Shop open	18 10-1 Food Pantry Open 7pm AI-Anon	19 10-1 Thrift Shop open 7pm Writer's Group	20 6pm Querr Open Mic Night
21 10am Worship* 7:30pm AA Meeting	22	23 7pm Women's NA	24 10-1 Thrift Shop open	25 10-1 Food Pantry Open 2pm Church Crafters 7pm AI-Anon	26 10-1 Thrift Shop open	27
28 10am Worship* 7:30pm AA Meeting	29	30 9-11 Church office open 7pm Women's NA	31 9-1 Church office open 10-1 Thrift Shop open	Please note: The full calendar of all building uses is available on cscucc.org or by contacting the church office.		

CSCC Cabinet Meeting – Minutes June 19, 2024 at 7pm

Location: Sheibley's due to heat and lack of AC at Fellowship hall

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Anne Malmquist, Moderator.

Cabinet members in attendance :

Anne Malmquist, Moderator

Rev. Beth Stotts, Pastor

David Sheibley, Treasurer

Philip Chaffee, Assistant Treasurer

Nina Gabel-Jorgensen, Clerk

John Sharland, Property and Finance Team

Terry Reynolds, Community Engagement Team

Carol Chaffee, Congregational Engagement Team

Others in Attendance:

Diane Sheibley, Communications Coordinator

Connie Chandler

Jenne Foronjy, Office Manager

Deb Thompson, North River Collaborative

Marie Grable, North River Collaborative

Rental Agreement Signing

Agreement to rent Meeting room and Kitchen access for 2024-2025 Academic School year with North River Collaborative.

Signing of agreement by Marie Grable (North River Collaborative) and John Sharland (Property and Finance Team)

\$1500 a month, 10 months.

Dave Sheibley has the Agreement for filing.

North River Collaborative attendees left the meeting.

Diane Sheibley took attendance. Quorum was met.

Rev. Beth opened the meeting with a devotion and a prayer.

May Minutes

The meeting minutes from the May meeting were presented and reviewed. Anne Malmquist motioned to accept the minutes as written Carol Chaffee and Reverend Beth Stotts seconded. The minutes were approved as written.

Pastor's Report – Rev. Beth Stotts

Elaine Henrickson - Still reaching out to Rev. Beth for help leaving Memory Care. Struggles to remember more than a month in the past.

RB will begin leading 5 wishes program at the senior center. Advanced Care Planning.

As part of W.I.S.E. program there will be a field trip on 6/23 to see Inside Out 2 with discussion following the viewing. So far 5 people have signed up.

The Pastor filling in for Reverend Beth will have her bio in Steeple Sounds.

Treasurer's Report – Dave Sheibley

May another good month. May 2024 \$\$ YTD higher than previous two years. End year not further behind than budgeted. Nothing unusual.

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CSCC Cabinet Meeting – Minutes

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Community Engagement Team – Terry Reynolds and Connie Chandler

Changed Harry Potter event name to “Magical”. Terry heard from Heather, who is excited to be on the committee. 246% increase in need for Bridgewater residents for the Food Pantry. Number of households 174.

Congregational Engagement Team – Carol Chaffee

Parade July 4th. It will be announced in the email. Picnic on communion Sunday was a success. Carol will propose a September date. Feedback was great.

Property & Finance Team – John Sharland

Boiler - Energy Kinetics working on the estimate. They needed 2 to 3 years of oil consumption data from Dave to size the boiler appropriately. No other estimates yet. Should probably seek another estimate.

Spiritual Engagement Team - Carol Chaffee

Added to calendar

Welcomed new team members

Calendaring

Discussion regarding the upcoming church calendar took place. Please refer to the calendar on the church website for details.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm

Treasurer's Report
May 31, 2024
Fiscal Year July 2023 - June 2024

	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Difference	Annual Budget
Income				
Regular Pledges	115,322	115,068	254	125,000
Unpledged Offerings	21,032	9,205	11,827	10,000
Plate Offering	463	2,301	(1,838)	2,500
Kid's Church	570	276	293	300
Total · Pledges / Offerings	137,387	126,852	10,536	137,800
Special Collections				
MACUCC Fellowship Dues	846	1,841	(995)	2,000
Total · Special Collections	846	1,841	(995)	2,000
Fundraisers/Events Revenue				
Church Fair	8,116	7,364	752	8,000
Central Closet Thrift Shop	15,278	11,967	3,311	13,000
Concert/Special Event	810	0	810	0
Misc Fundraisers	196	4,603	(4,407)	5,000
Total · Fundraisers/Events Revenue	24,400	23,934	466	26,000
Facility Usage Income				
Non Profit Bldg Use	4,392	2,762	1,630	3,000
Private Bldg Use	470	460	10	500
Wedding Rentals	0	4,603	(4,603)	5,000
Food Pantry support	1,100	1,105	(5)	1,200
Total · Facility Usage Income	5,962	8,929	(2,967)	9,700
Miscellaneous Income	1,133	921	212	1,000
Total Income	169,728	162,477	7,252	176,500
Expenses				
Total · Senior Minister Expenses	108,878	107,016	(1,862)	116,252
Total · Support Staff Expenses	44,226	46,003	1,777	49,974
Total · Office Expenses	9,708	8,193	(1,515)	8,900
Total · Church Building Costs	34,031	31,391	(2,641)	34,100
Teams				
Spiritual Engagement	1,171	852	(320)	925
Kid's Church	461	0	(461)	
Congregational Engagement	34	852	817	925
Community Engagement	926	852	(74)	925
Breakfasts	318	0	(318)	0
Property and Finance	242	852	610	925
Community Engagement Reserve	1,683	1,726	43	1,875
Total · Teams	4,835	5,132	297	5,575
MACUCC Fellowship Dues	2,000	1,841	(159)	2,000
Pilgrim Assn Fellowship Dues	0	184	184	200
Miscellaneous Expenses		0	0	0
Total Expenses	203,678	199,760	(3,918)	217,001
Net income (loss)	(33,949)	(37,283)	3,334	(40,501)
Transfer from Investments	44,797	37,283	(7,514)	40,501
	10,847	0		0

Treasurer's Report
May 31, 2024
Fiscal Year July 2023 - June 2024

Cash balances	
Operating account	9,364
Money Market	28,942
Minister's Discretionary account	77
Community Engagement Reserve	2,178
Capital Campaign account	1,114
PayPal account	152
Venmo account	20
Total cash balances	<u>41,847</u>

Endowments investment fund	
Protected principal	135,513
Unrestricted funds, beginning	60,991
Deposits (withdrawals)	
Gain (loss) for month	<u>7,039</u>
Unrestricted funds, ending	<u>68,030</u>
Total value 5/31/2024	203,543
Parsonage investment fund	
Beginning balance	19,447
Deposits (withdrawals)	
Gain (loss) for month	<u>802</u>
Total value 5/31/2024	<u>20,249</u>
Total investments 5/31/2024	<u>223,792</u>

Food Pantry account balance April 30, 2024	10,870
Donations	20
Expenses	<u>(1,096)</u>
Food Pantry account balance May 31, 2024	<u>9,794</u>

Giving Comparison

	2022 Month	2023 Month	2024 Month	2022 YTD	2023 YTD	2024 YTD
Jan.	10,029.82	10,307.95	10,226.11	10,029.82	10,307.95	10,226.11
Feb.	6,562.91	9,713.95	7,168.42	16,592.73	20,021.90	17,394.53
March	13,355.24	9,535.31	11,414.05	29,947.97	29,557.21	28,808.58
April	11,808.31	15,149.70	21,591.08	41,756.28	44,706.91	50,399.66
May	14,476.24	21,938.88	18,534.50	56,232.52	66,645.79	68,934.16
June	11,304.13	8,696.40		67,536.65	75,342.19	
July	16,505.70	15,290.21		84,042.35	90,632.40	
Aug.	9,586.37	8,061.22		93,628.72	98,693.62	
Sept.	9,379.22	10,587.06		103,007.94	109,280.68	
Oct.	15,615.55	12,608.01		118,623.49	121,888.69	
Nov.	9,164.75	8,281.58		127,788.24	130,170.27	
Dec.	15,622.72	13,625.20		143,410.96	143,795.47	



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