

Good morning, All –

In the past year the following projects have been completed or discussed for the following year:

Church Building Work

At the suggestion of our technical crew members of the congregation, non-permanent window tint was placed on the clear glass windows in the chapel by John Kelly to better control the lighting conditions that had been affecting the camera mounted on the west wall of the sanctuary. Thank you, John for taking the time to source, purchase and install the window tint.

In the first half of the year, we battled extensively with our HVAC unit, having outage issues in May and most notably in the final weeks of July, replacing the fan that dated back to 1991. We are happy to have received 20+ years of function from that fan. In November, routine maintenance was performed on our boiler; we may need to investigate replacing some of the network of pipes that supply the boiler with water. Rock Hill Mechanical was able to complete the work and restore our systems, many thanks to them for their continued work and efforts to keep our interior temperatures comfortable.

Replacement of the windows in the Vestry Room and Mitchell Hall (the east facing windows) was investigated. Quotes were sought from several contractors for the completion of this work, but the Vestry did not come to a decision on this project this year with hope of finding a third contractor to bid on the project and to complete the project our potential contractor(s) have better availability.

On the front lawn, our Sycamore tree was treated for webworms by Droege Tree Care, this treatment will cover us for 3 years.

Property Usage/Space Sharing with Vandersall Collective: In the Spring of 2023 we began a journey with the help of Mieke Vandersall and Erin Weber-Johnson of Vandersall Collective to help us determine how we could increase our use of available space outside of Sunday and other church programming. During this process we intensely reviewed our available or underused spaces and then reached out to organizations and individuals to inquire as to what they looked for in a space and what amenities or other offerings (e.g. high-speed internet access, storage, etc.) would best service their needs. We were able to develop a document that summarizes our available spaces and other services that will help us to easily promote our available space to potential tenants. Applying the insight gained from this work was pushed to a lower priority level as the Vestry focused on the process of the search for our Interim Rector, but we hope to be able to increase our use of space in this next calendar year. Many thanks to Vandersall Collective for their guidance and work on this project.

Lastly, many thanks to Rudy Walz for taking on the planning, appliance and sourcing of other materials to bring back breakfast to Holy Communion in this past year. Rudy was able to have the following purchased, replaced or fixed: the plate cart, the microwave, and a convection oven that will be installed at a future date. Rudy has also taken the additional time to establish our procedures for safe food prep and handling. Please be sure to reach out to Rudy for a Sunday where you can volunteer with your friends, family or ministry group to provide a hot breakfast or for a continental breakfast.