Present - Eve Pech, Tina Davies, Judy Sullivan, Peter Meny, Sarah McKenzie, Jon Covault, Dana Donovan, Paul Cipriano

Absent -<br>Guests - David Newton, Nancy Kemmerer, Sue Smolski, Bev Spence, Jim Venneman, Laura Cipriano<br>6:38-Check-ins<br>\section*{6:46 - Opening Words from Eve}<br>6:47 - Dana read the Board Covenant<br>6:48 - Approval of March Meeting Minutes. There was a question regarding the new councils, which was clarified. Tina made the motion, Dana seconded.<br>Aye - 7 (Paul was not present for this vote)<br>Nay - 0<br>Abstain - 0

6:53 - Worship Associate Update: Sue Smolski gave us an update on the WAs. Summer planning begins this week, the Love in Action theme will continue through the summer. There are 10 summer services, Rev. Bob will do 4, lay leaders will do 4, and there will be 2 services led by members from UUS:E (and USH will lead 2 Sundays at UUS:E as well). GA Sunday is June 25 , and will be streamed in Fellowship Hall (to take advantage of the air conditioning).

6:58 - Stewardship Update: See attached.
7:04 - Security Grant: Paul needs a signatory for the security grant. There is a lot of red tape around the grant itself, and a lot of reporting requirements; Karolina will keep a file of documents related to the grant in office. We have been approved for approximately $\$ 25,000$ for security upgrades (everything we requested except the AED and First Aid Training). Dana will sign on behalf of USH on Friday.

7:23 - B\&G Draft Resolution: (see attached) There are two parts to the resolution: Part A is for paving the entrances and the western portion of the driveway in the front of the building, Part B is for adding more lighting to the chancel area. Currently, Part B is only funded at about $20 \%$ (of approximately $\$ 25,000$ ). Additional funding could potentially come from a donation that was originally made for sound abatement (which is not practicable in our building). The Paving bids are time-sensitive and need to be acted on soon. Tina made the motion to accept, Dana seconded the motion.

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7:35 - USH Delegates to GA: In the absence of a minister, it is up to the Board to assign delegate credentials to GA with the power to vote. Delegates can be remote. Dana Donovan, Judy Robbins, and Laura Cipriano have expressed interest in serving as USH's delegates. Laura and Dana would attend virtually. The delegates would be asked to vote in concert with the wishes of the congregation as voted
on at the annual meeting, although not required to. Eve made the motion to charge these three people to be our voting delegates to the GA, Judy Sullivan seconded the motion. Tina Davies has offered to be an alternate

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Aye-8
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Eve made the motion to accept Tina as the alternate, Jon Covault seconded.

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Aye - 8
Nay - 0
Abstain - 0
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7:43 - Planning for the Annual Meeting: Karolina needs support putting together the Annual Report for the meeting. Maybe ask Brian Harvey if he's willing to assist. In order to have a vote on the Governance Task Force changes, membership needs a synopsis of the changes in order to make an informed decision. We also need an implementation timeline. Seems like the intent was to implement the changes as of July 1. Laurie Kelliher has agreed to chair the Membership Council, a Chair of the Finance Committee is still needed. April's under the stairs will focus on these changes, Laura will provide a synopsis.

8:17 - Acceptance of Council Reports: See attached. GHIAA wants to have their end of year party at USH in a tent on the lawn. It is a possibility that The Village will be in the midst of erecting the fence around their property at that time and there really is no other spot to put up a large tent on our property. At this point, we need to assume that it will not be an option. Dana did offer Fellowship Hall, but if there are 200 people there may not be enough space. Dana will reach out to A.J. Johnson again this week.
The Book Group has found a nice way of honoring some of the members who have passed away by making contributions to the endowment in their names.
The Easter Egg Hunt was a big success. Lots of families participated, including LOTS who had never been in our building before. Annie and Karolina did a good job of getting the word out on Facebook, and then a radio station picked it up.

8:45-Guest Comments: Jim V reminded us that there is \$ in restricted funds for GA expenses. UU World will likely have an article regarding works done with our endowment funds.

8:47 - The Board took a break and will come back to executive session.
8:55 - The Board went into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues.

USH BOARD MEETING AGENDA - 4/11/23 at 6:30pm -Zoom meeting

6:30 pm Check in - 15 mins.
6:45 pm Opening Words, Eve - 2 mins
6:47 pm Board Covenant, Dana - 2 mins.
6:49 pm Approval of Board minutes- 2 mins.
6:51 pm Stewardship update-Paul-15 mins
7:05 pm WA update - Sue Smolski- 15 mins
7:20 pm- B\&G draft resolution- Paul, Peter and Jon - 10 mins
7:30 pm- USH delegates to the GA - 10mins
7:40 pm- Planning for Annual Meeting May 21-20 mins
...Karolina's request for support for putting together Annual Report
...Need for synopsis of Governance Task Force changes to USH
Constitution and date of implementation if passed
...Congregational vote on issues before annual GA
8:00 pm -Acceptance of Council Reports, Comments, Questions - 20 mins
8:20 pm -Guest comments - 10 mins
Executive Session:

|  | Current Situation | Low <br> Forecast | Medium Forecast | High Forecast |
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| 1 | As of 4/10/23, we have pledges from 70 pledging unitsfor $\mathbf{\$ 2 3 5 , 2 9 4}$. Average pledge is \$3,361. | 235,294 | 235,294 | 235,294 |
| 2 | Of the 70 units that have pledged, 35 or $50 \%$ have increased their pledge. |  |  |  |
| 3 | 14 units decreased their pledge and 23 had no change. |  |  |  |
|  | Follow-up on people who have pledged in last 3 years but not yet for FY 23-24 |  |  |  |
| 1 | We have 50 people that have pledged in last 3 years but not this year yet. 23 units pledged this last year but have not pledged yet. |  |  |  |
| 2 | We have 7 people assigned to groups of 6-7 people to call them over the next two weeks. Need at least one more caller. |  |  |  |
| 3 | My estimate is that we will be able to receive pledges from most of those who pledged last year, which would bring in between $\$ 15 \mathrm{k}$ and $\mathbf{3 0 K}$ | 12,000 | 21,000 | 30,000 |
|  |  | 247,294 | 256,294 | 265,294 |
|  | Recommendations |  |  |  |
| 1 | Look for hire lag money and other unused funds from last year. |  |  |  |
| 2 | Reduce the budget. |  |  |  |
| 3 | Hold a fundraising event or second pledging campaign in fall after new minister arrives. |  |  |  |
| 4 | Stewardship will continue to look for other individuals to solicit this year. |  |  |  |
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|  | Goals for next year |  |  |  |
| 1 | Need more donors at all levels of giving. |  |  |  |
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|  | Respectfully submitted, Carolyn Carlson, April 10, 2023 |  |  |  |

# (Draft 1.0) Request for Board Action on items $A$ and $B$ 

## Understanding Passed at the March 2023 Board Meeting:

Resolved, the following understanding will be followed pending bylaw revisions and simplifications:

1. B and $G$ will inform the Board of pending plans to carry out one or more capital projects in excess of resources in the Small Projects Annual Budget line or related maintenance lines with explanation providing a reasonable range of expected cost.
2. If the Board finds the capital project merited within the proposed range of expenditure proposed, it shall approve the project.
3. For such approved projects, $B$ and $G$ shall pursue requisite steps in planning, soliciting bids if necessary, identify funds to be used, and such other reasonable measures as fit the situation, and, thereafter proceed to execute the project. This step shall also include keeping the Board informed from time to time of the status of pending projects, if any.
4. If projects previously approved cost more than the related cost range, $B$ and $G$ shall return to the Board to seek such further evaluation and approval as the Board shall determine at the time.

Pursuant to the Understanding, there are two projects for current consideration at the April Meeting. For Project A, action at the meeting is essential as bids are pending.
A. Repaving the north, and south drives from Bloomfield Ave, and the area adjacent at the base of the incline including accessible parking areas in front of the Meeting House and adjacent connecting drives (includes South parking spots as well as the accessible parking area to the West).

Discussion: in grading for the replacement asphalt, it is super essential to have precise grading so water flows into the catch basins and does not flood into the West entrance of the Meeting House. Regrading will divert some of the water currently reaching the drain directly in front of the West Entrance. This project may involve lowering the front catch basin by one inch and perhaps some other cement slab work done by us or others and not part of current bids and contemplated in the estimates below.

Paving would occur in two phases, such that access by one or the other entrance driveway would result in access to the North parking area most of the time without interruption.

We have three existing bids with expiration dates. The Estimated cost is between $\$ 60,000$ and $\$ 70,000$. Contemplated source of funding is the main Endowment Account for such a capital project.
B. Completing the Sanctuary Lighting for the Chancel and creating frontal lighting for various events featuring performers on the chancel.

Discussion: This phase was always contemplated in our lighting efforts. We have architectural plans for this phase of the work with an estimated cost here placed in a range of $\$ 25,000$ to 35,000 . We think this could be funded by any individual who wishes to support the project with the remaining unfunded part drawn from the "Hall" specially restricted Endowment account as we believe Phyllis would welcome use of the reserved endowment funds for the support of this project.

## Proposed Motion for Board Consideration:

The Board approves project $A$ and $B$ looking forward to periodic reports of progress from $B$ and $G$.

## previously distributed synopsis

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2023 USH Proposed Constitution Revision

## 1. ARTICLE III - DENOMINATIONAL AFFILIATION

- Replace Article III words: The Society shall be a member of the Unitarian Universalist Association and of the Clara Barton District (New England Region) of Unitarian Universalist Congregations.
- With: The Society shall be a member of the Unitarian Universalist Association and of the New England Region of Unitarian Universalist Congregations.
- Reason: The Clara Barton district is no more. Here is something from uua.org: The New England Region (NER) is composed of 232 congregations. The congregations in this geographical area were previously organized into districts.

2. Change four council chairs to six council chairs.
3. Six voting members shall constitute a quorum, up from five.
4. No change to the Council on Spiritual Life and Council on Social Justice.
5. The Council on Administration shall be divided into two councils; the new one shall be the Council on Finance with the task of overseeing USH finances as explained below.
6. The Council on Community Within shall be divided into two councils; the new one shall be the Council on Membership with the task of developing membership, coordinate volunteers, and chair the nominating committee as explained below.
7. The immediate past-president of the board shall not have specific duties, but may serve as an advisor to the board and may serve wherever else their skills and interests lie.
8. The Board shall set policy guidelines for the Ministers Discretionary Fund. Add to article IX section 5, Board Powers.

Section 5 Council on Administration. In addition to other sub-councils that it may form, the Council on Administration shall have a Human Resources Sub-council.
The responsibilities of the Council on Administration shall include:

1. Physical facilities;
2. Personnel administration;
3. Office administration;
4. Emergency preparedness and security;
5. Archives;
6. Human Resources Sub-council shall have responsibility for recommending to the Board of Directors the hiring, supervision, and termination of all staff except ministers. The Chair of the Human Resources Sub-council shall be appointed by the Council and subject to the approval of the

Board of Directors. The chair of the Human Resources Sub-council shall serve as an ex officio member of the Council on Administration.
7. Other responsibilities as assigned by the Board of Directors.

Note: The senior non-ministerial staff member shall serve as a non-voting advisory member of the Council on Administration.

Section 6 Council on Finance. In addition to other sub-councils that it may form, the Council on Finance shall have a Finance Sub-council and Stewardship Sub-council.
The responsibilities of the Council on Finance shall include:

1. Development and monitoring of the annual operating budget;
2. Development and management of a capital budget account;
3. Revenue generation and Stewardship
4. Finance Sub-council shall have responsibility for developing the annual operating and capital budgets, recommending fiscal policies, and monitoring income and expenses. The Treasurer shall serve as chair ex officio of the Finance Sub-council.
5. Act as a liaison and support the Stewardship Sub-council.
6. Other responsibilities as assigned by the Board of Directors.

## Section 7 Council on Community Within.

The responsibilities of the Council on the Community Within shall include:
a) Facilitating internal and external communications;
b) Weekly Enews;
c) Web maintenance and updates, communication with hosting company as needed;
d) Publicity to inform and promote USH activities for the beneficial knowledge of the congregation;
e) Acting as a liaison for communication between the Board and Community Within groups;
f) Developing and overseeing opportunities for socialization;
g) Nurturing members in need; and
h) Other responsibilities as assigned by the Board of Directors.

## Section 8 Council on Membership.

The responsibilities of the Council on Membership shall include:
a) Membership development;
b) Serve as Chair of the Nominating Committee;
c) Leadership and volunteer development;
d) Other responsibilities as assigned by the Board of Directors.

## Section 9 Council on Spiritual Life.

The responsibilities of the Council on Spiritual Life shall include:
a) Collective worship;
b) Rites of passage;
c) Individual spiritual development for children and youth;
d) Individual spiritual development for adults; and
e) Other responsibilities as assigned by the Board of Directors.

## Section 10 Council on Social Justice.

The responsibilities of the Council on Social Justice shall include:
a) Social justice issues;
b) Denomination partnerships;
c) Outreach; and
d) Other responsibilities as assigned by the Board of Directors.

## VI. Capital Budget Account

a. The Councils on Administration and Finance, through the appropriate Sub-council, shall prepare an annual "Buildings and Grounds Status Report." . . .
b. In addition, the Councils on Administration and Finance, shall prepare an annual "Five-year Capital Budgeting Plan." . . .
c. No later than 60 days prior to the end of the fiscal year, the Finance Council, through the Finance Sub-council, shall review the "Buildings and Grounds Status Report" and the "Five-year Capital Budgeting Plan" and determine the source of funds to implement the capital improvement projects.
d. Through f. Duties fall under the Finance Council.

Our grant application work this year made us take a close look at our tax-exempt status. Jim Venneman found IRS information about needing a dissolution clause, which we could add to the USH constitution in this revision. Here is what we are looking for regarding dissolution. It is on page 8 of the information for IRS form 1023, which was attached to Jon's email of $1 / 20$. Since we operate under 501(c)(3) rules, it would apply to USH.

Dissolution clause. Your organizing document must provide for the permanent dedication of your assets to a section $501(\mathrm{c})(3)$ purpose. This means that if you dissolve your organization in the future, your assets must be distributed for an exempt purpose described in section 501(c)(3), or to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. In certain states, you may rely on state law to establish the permanent dedication of assets for exempt purposes. This is based on Rev. Proc. 82-2, 1982-1 C.B. 367. For additional information, search "Operation of state law" at IRS.gov.
Foreign organizations may be able to rely upon the applicable laws of their jurisdiction in a similar manner. If relying on a foreign law, you must provide a copy of the applicable law with an English translation.
Naming a specific organization to receive your assets upon dissolution will be acceptable only if your organizing document requires that the specific organization to be exempt under section 501(c)(3) at the time your dissolution takes place and provides for a qualified alternative recipient if the named organization isn't exempt under section 501(c)(3) at that time.
If your organizing document states that your assets would be distributed to members or private individuals or for any purpose other than those provided in section 501(c)(3), you must amend your organizing document to remove such statements.
The following is an example of an acceptable dissolution clause.

Upon the dissolution of this organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose.
See Pub. 557 for further information and examples of acceptable language for dedication of assets in your organizing document.

Add to USH Constitution:

## VIII. Dissolution clause

In the unlikely event that the Unitarian Society of Hartford ceases to exist, all funds shall be ultimately deposited or used for tax exempt purposes, as follows.

Upon discontinuance of this Church by dissolution or otherwise, any assets lawfully available for
distribution are to be transferred to one or more organizations qualifying as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, by a majority of members attending at a duly called business meeting, as applicable to the former Unitarian Society of Hartford organization.

In the unlikely event that USH relocates, portions of soil from various areas of the present USH Memorial Garden and all related records, plaque, sculpture and remembrance book shall be taken to the new location where these items shall be used in the creation of a new Memorial Garden established with a suitable dedication ceremony.

# A Comparison of the UUA Article II Study Commission's 

## Jan 17, 2023 Proposed Changes to the UUA Bylaws

(Purposes, Principles \& Sources, Freedom of Belief, and Inclusion)

## Section C-2.2. C-2.1. Purposes.

The Unitarian Universalist Association shall will devote its resources to and exercise its corporate use its organizational powers for religious, educational and humanitarian purposes. The primary purpose of the Association is to serve the needs of its member congregations, organize new congregations, extend and strengthen Unitarian Universalist institutions and implement its principles.

Its primary purposes are to assist congregations in their vital ministries, support and train leaders both lay and professional, to foster lifelong faith formation, to heal historic injustices, and to advance our Unitarian Universalist values in the world.

The purpose of the Unitarian Universalist Association is to actively engage its members in the transformation of the world through liberating Love.

DELETE THE FOLLOWING:

## Section C-2.1. Principles.

We, the member congregations of the Unitarian Universalist Association, covenant to affirm and promote

- The inherent worth and dignity of every persdn;
- Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- The right of copscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in sodjety at large;
- The goal of world community with peace, पiberty and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.


## REPLACE WITH THE FOLLOWING:

## Section C-2.2. Values and Covenant.

As Unitarian Universalists, we covenant, congregation-to-congregation and through our association, to support and assist one another in our ministries. We draw from our heritages of freedom, reason, hope, and courage, building on the foundation of love.
Love is the power that holds us together and is at the center of our shared values. We are accountable to one another for doing the work of living our shared values through the spiritual discipline of Love. Inseparable from one another, these shared values are:


NOTE: Red-italicized text is used here to highlight language from the 7 Principles that is referenced, or alluded to, in the proposed amendments. (None of the A2SC's proposed text was actually red or italicized.) When markup is used, text to be deleted is crossed out, and text to be added is underlined.

(Section C-2.1. Principles continued) DELETE SOURCES:
The living tradition which we share draws from many sources:

- Difect experience of that transcending myster and wonder, affirmed in all cultures, which move us to a renewar of the spirit and an openness to the forces which create and uphold life;
- Words and deeds of prophetic people which challenge us te confront powers and structures of evil with justice, corppassion and the transforming power of love;
- Wisdom from the world's religions which inspires us in our ethical and spiritual life;
- Jewish and Christian teadnings which call us to respond to God's lovepy pquing our neighbors as ourselves;
- Humanist teachings which counsel us to heed the guidance of reason and the results of science, and warn us against idolatries of the mind and spirit;
- Spiritual teachings of Earth-centered traditions which celebrate the sacred circle of life and instruct us to live in parmony with the rhythms of nature.
Grateful for the religious pluralism which enriches and ennobles our faith, we are inspired to deepen our und\&rstanding and expand our vision. As free congregations we enter into this covenant, promising to one another our mutual trust and support.


## REPLACE WITH THE FOLLOWING:

## Section C-2.3. Inspirations.

As Unitarian Universalists, we use, and are inspired by, sacred and secular understandings that help us to live into our values. We respect the histories, contexts and cultures in which they were created and are currently practiced.
These sources ground us and sustain us in ordinary, difficult, and joyous times. Grateful for the religious ancestries we inherit and the diversity which enriches our faith, we are called to ever deepen and expand our wisdom.

## Section C 2.3 2.4 Inclusion.

Systems of power, privilege, and oppression have traditionally created barriers for persons and groups with particular identities, ages, abilities, and histories. We pledge to replace such barriers with ever-widening circles of solidarity and mutual respect. We strive to be an association of congregations that truly welcome all persons who share our values. and $\underline{\mathrm{We}}$ commit to being an association of congregations structuring congregational and associationallife in ways that empowers and enhances everyone's participation, especially those with historically marginalized identities.

## Section C 2.4 2.5 Freedom of Belief belief.

Congregational freedom and the individual's right of conscience are central to Nothing herein shall be deemed to infringe upon the individual freedom of belief which is inherent in the Universalist and Unitarian heritages our Unitarian Universalist heritage. Congregations may establish or to conflict with any statements of purpose, covenants, and or bonds of union so long as they do not require that members adhere to a particular creed used by any eongregation unless such is used as a creedal test.

|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Actual 6.30.22 } \\ 06.30 .2022 \end{gathered}$ | Approved Budget 22-23 2022-23 |  | 9 mo of 22-23 budget | 22-23 Actual 9mo Apr-23 | Draft 23-24 budget |  |
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| Budgeted Income |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $410000 \cdot$ Administration |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 411000 - Endowment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 411100 - Capital Clearing Account |  |  |  |  | 25,750.00 |  |  |
| 411200 - Operations |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 411201 - Monthly Distribution | 47,665.32 | 47,665.32 | \#\#\#\# | 35,748.99 | 11,946.33 | 53,444.00 | 4.5\% avg 13 quarters |
| 411204 - Special Purpose Funds Income |  |  |  |  | 1,150.00 |  | 1187659.39 |
| Total 411200 -Operations | 47,665.32 | 47,665.32 |  | 35,748.99 | 13,096.33 | 53,444.00 |  |
| 411500 - Building \& Grounds Small Projects | 10,000.00 | 10,000.00 |  | 7,500.00 |  | 10,000.00 |  |
| Total $411000 \cdot$ Endowment | 57,665.32 | 57,665.32 |  | 43,248.99 | 38,846.33 | 63,444.00 |  |
| 412000 - Fundraising |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 412101 - Fundraising - Other | 8,678.34 | 7,000.00 |  | 5,250.00 | 4,066.92 | 5,500.00 |  |
| Total 412000 - Fundraising | 8,678.34 | 7,000.00 |  | 5,250.00 | 4,066.92 | 5,500.00 |  |
| 413000 - Holiday Letter |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 414000 - Prior Year(s)' Carry Over | - | - |  | - | - | - |  |
| 415000 - Memorial Contributions | - | - |  | - | - | - |  |
| 416000 - Rental Contributions | 9,984.50 | 8,000.00 |  | 6,000.00 | 13,085.00 | 10,000.00 |  |
| $417000 \cdot$ Stewardship |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 417100 - Current Fiscal Year Pledge | 288,231.05 | 282,000.00 |  | 211,500.00 | 229,898.94 | 301,000.00 | 1.067*282k |
| 417200 - Prior Fiscal Year Pledge | 3,680.00 | - |  | - | 2,150.00 | - |  |
| 417300 Pre-paid pledge for 23-24 |  |  |  |  | 500.00 |  |  |
| 417000 stewardship other | 4,358.20 |  |  |  | 280.60 |  |  |
| Total $417000 \cdot$ Stewardship | 296,269.25 | 282,000.00 |  | 211,500.00 | 232,829.54 | 301,000.00 |  |
| 418000 - Sunday Contributions | 2,902.53 | 4,000.00 |  | 3,000.00 | 7,230.15 | 6,000.00 |  |
| 419000 - Other Administration Income |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 419100 - Zero Emission Renewable Energy Credits | 3,468.36 | 3,000.00 |  | 2,250.00 | 10.00 | 3,000.00 |  |
| 419300 - Garmany Choral Scholars | - | - |  | - | - | 500.00 |  |
| 419400 - Garmany Composer-In-Res | - | - |  | - | - | 500.00 |  |
| Total 419000 - Other Administration Income | 3,468.36 | 3,000.00 |  | 2,250.00 | 10.00 | 4,000.00 |  |
| Total $410000 \cdot$ Administration | 378,968.30 | 361,665.32 |  | 271,248.99 | 296,067.94 | 389,944.00 |  |
| 420000 - Community Within |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 421000 - Festival of the Season | - | - |  | - | - | - |  |
| 422000 - Used Book Donations | 71.35 | 50.00 |  | 37.50 | 41.00 | 50.00 |  |
| 423000 - Meeting House Presents (NETor expenses) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 423001 - MHP - Tickets | 669.86 |  |  | - | (425.80) | 1.00 |  |
| 423002 - MHP - Concessions | 635.00 |  |  | - | 210.00 | 400.00 |  |
| 423003 - MHP - Other Income | 100.00 | - |  | - | 20.00 | - |  |
| Total $423000 \cdot$ Meeting House Presents | 1,404.86 | - |  | - | (195.80) | 401.00 |  |
| 424000 - Caring Network |  | - |  | - | - | - |  |
| 424100 - Memorial Receptions | - | - |  | - | - | - |  |
| 426000 - Gifts | - | - |  | - | - | - |  |
| 427000 - Membership | - | - |  | - | - | - |  |
| 428000 - Adult Programs | 569.00 | 500.00 |  | 375.00 | 826.00 | 500.00 |  |
| 428001 - Movie night |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 429001 - Fellowship Hour Donations | 162.00 | 100.00 |  | 75.00 | 211.45 | 100.00 |  |
| Total $420000 \cdot$ Community Within | 2,207.21 | 650.00 |  | 487.50 | 882.65 | 1,051.00 |  |

430000 - Social Justice
433000 SJ from Schwab restricted 434500 - Interweave

434000 - SJ Miscellaneous Income
434800 - Green Sanctuary
Total 430000 - Social Justice 440000 - Spiritual Life

441000 - Annual Retreat
443000 - Flower Contributions
447000 - Religious Education
447100 - Soup Making ()NET of expenses)
447500 - Ski Trip
Total 447000 - Religious Education
448000 - Miscellaneous - Spiritual Life
$448100 \cdot$ Recording Donations
448300 - Volunteer Recognition
448000 - Miscellaneous
449000 - Music Program Fundraising
Total 448000 - Miscellaneous - Spiritual Life
Total 440000 - Spiritual Life
450000 - Other Income
454107 - Garmany Choral Scholars
459000 - Paycheck Protection Program
459001 - Emergency Fund
Total 450000 - Other Income
Total Budgeted Incom
510000 - Administration Expense
512000 - UUA \& District Payments 512001 - Clara Barton District 512002 - UUA Fair Share
Total 512000 - UUA \& District Payments
$515000 \cdot$ Stewardship
515100 - Annual Canvass
515200 - Vanco/Credit Card Expense
Total $528000 \cdot$ Stewardship
$516000 \cdot$ Building \& Grounds
516100 - General Maintenance
516200 - Snow Removal
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516500 - Electric
516600 - Natural Gas
516700 - Memorial Garden
516800 -Small Projects
Total $516000 \cdot$ Building \& Grounds
517000 - Office
$517100 \cdot$ Equipment


| 517101 -Equipment Purchases | (82.89) | 2,000.00 | 1,500.00 | 3,067.33 | 3,000.00 |
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| 517102 - Equip Rental (Office Copier Lease) | 6,270.80 | 6,300.00 | 4,725.00 | 7,088.43 | 6,300.00 |
| 517103 - Computer Maint. Agreement | 2,061.92 | 3,400.00 | 2,550.00 | 90.00 | 3,400.00 |
| Total $517100 \cdot$ Equipment | 8,249.83 | 11,700.00 | 8,775.00 | 10,245.76 | 12,700.00 |
| 517300 -Printing | (25.00) | 250.00 | 187.50 | - | 250.00 |
| $517400 \cdot$ Postage | 406.66 | 650.00 | 487.50 | 508.00 | 650.00 |
| 517500 - Telephone / Internet | 5,068.39 | 4,928.00 | 3,696.00 | 4,078.26 | 4,928.00 |
| 517600 - Dues and Subscriptions | 9,046.33 | 4,200.00 | 3,150.00 | 1,161.23 | 4,200.00 |
| 517700 - Office Supplies | 1,723.21 | 2,800.00 | 2,100.00 | 1,385.14 | 2,800.00 |
| 517800 - Service Contracts | - | - | - | 133.55 | - |
| 517900 - Service Charges |  |  |  |  |  |
| 517910 - Bank |  |  |  | 12.00 |  |
| 517920 - Credit Card Expense | 161.14 | 300.00 | 225.00 |  | 300.00 |
| 517930 - Payroll Expense | 404.08 | 550.00 | 412.50 | 572.90 | 550.00 |
| 517940 - Miscellaneous | 76.19 | - | - | 196.06 | - |
| 517900 service charges other | 102.00 |  |  | 40.07 |  |
| Total 517900 - Service Charges | 743.41 | 850.00 | 637.50 | 821.03 | 850.00 |
| Total 517000 - Office | 25,212.83 | 25,378.00 | 19,033.50 | 18,332.97 | 26,378.00 |
| $518000 \cdot$ Insurance |  |  |  |  |  |
| $518100 \cdot$ Workers' Compensation | 1,986.50 | 2,500.00 | 1,875.00 | 1,803.00 | 2,500.00 |
| 518200 - Liability Insurance | 11,349.18 | 12,000.00 | 9,000.00 | 7,425.95 | 12,000.00 |
| 518300 - Umbrella | 1,064.95 | 1,070.00 | 802.50 | - | 1,070.00 |
| Total $518000 \cdot$ Insurance | 14,400.63 | 15,570.00 | 11,677.50 | 9,228.95 | 15,570.00 |
| $519000 \cdot$ Administration - Other |  |  |  |  |  |
| $519200 \cdot$ Rental Expense | - | - | - | - | - |
| 519300 - General Assembly Expense | - | 500.00 | 375.00 | - | 500.00 |
| 519500 - Board Expense | 197.52 | 500.00 | 375.00 | 173.42 | 500.00 |
| 519600 -Staff Development | 190.58 | 200.00 | 150.00 | 45.45 | 200.00 |
| 519700 - Archives |  | 200.00 | 150.00 |  | 200.00 |
| 516900 - Bldg Security |  |  |  | 245.55 | 500.00 |
| Total 519000 - Administration - Other | 388.10 | 1,400.00 | 1,050.00 | 464.42 | 1,900.00 |
| Total $510000 \cdot$ Administration Expenses | 109,551.43 | 132,801.00 | 102,100.75 | 86,207.54 | 128,701.00 |
| 520000 - Community Within Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |
| 521000 - Caring Network | (125.00) | 500.00 | 375.00 | 225.00 | 500.00 |
| $522000 \cdot$ Communications |  |  |  |  |  |
| 522100 - Hard Copy Mailings | - | - | - | - | - |
| 522300 - Web Page | 1,617.97 | 3,000.00 | 2,250.00 | 829.58 | 2,200.00 |
| $522400 \cdot$ External Marketing | - | 400.00 | 300.00 | - | 400.00 |
| 522500 - Software Upgrades | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total $522000 \cdot$ Communications | 1,617.97 | 3,400.00 | 2,550.00 | 829.58 | 2,600.00 |
| $524000 \cdot$ Festival of the Season | - | - | - | - | - |
| 527000 Membership |  |  |  |  |  |
| 527000 -Membership | 995.00 | 1,150.00 | 862.50 | 102.01 | 1,000.00 |
| 527100 - Membership Initiative | 246.14 | 500.00 | 375.00 | 110.89 | 500.00 |
| Total 527000-Membership | 1,241.14 | 1,650.00 | 1,237.50 | 212.90 | 1,500.00 |
| 528000 - Adult Programs |  |  |  |  |  |


| 528100 - Administrative Expenses | - |  | - | - | - |  |
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| 528200 -Compensation | - |  | . |  |  |  |
| 528300 - Credit Card Expense | - | - | - | - | - |  |
| Total 528000 - Adult Programs |  |  | - |  | - |  |
| 529000 - Community Within - Other |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $529500 \cdot$ Memorial Receptions | - | - | - | - | - |  |
| 520000 - Community Within - Other | 168.80 |  |  | 400.00 |  |  |
| 529600 - Fellowship Hour Supplies | 296.60 | 800.00 | 600.00 | 86.18 | 800.00 |  |
| Total 529000 - Community Within - Other | 465.40 | 800.00 | 600.00 | 486.18 | 800.00 |  |
| Total 520000 - Community Within Expenses | 3,199.51 | 6,350.00 | 4,762.50 | 1,540.76 | 5,400.00 |  |
| 530000 - Social Justice Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 531000 - Info \& Advocacy Sub-Council |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 532000 - Miscellaneous |  | 3,000.00 | 2,250.00 | 4,232.61 | 3,000.00 |  |
| $534000 \cdot$ Interweave | - | - | - | - | - |  |
| $537000 \cdot$ Equual Access | - | - | - | - | - |  |
| 538000 - Green Sanctuary | - | - | - | - | - |  |
| 539000 - Noah Webster Partnership | - | - | - | - | - |  |
| Total 530000 - Social Justice Expenses | - | 3,000.00 | 2,250.00 | 4,232.61 | 3,000.00 |  |
| 540000 - Spiritual Life Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $542000 \cdot$ Annual Retreat |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $543000 \cdot \mathrm{Music}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 543200 - Guest Musicians | - | 750.00 | 562.50 | 575.00 | 1,500.00 |  |
| 543201 -Substitute Keyboardists | - | 500.00 | 375.00 | - | 500.00 |  |
| 543300 - Sheet Music | - | 500.00 | 375.00 | - | 500.00 |  |
| $543400 \cdot$ Instrument Maintenance |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 543401 - Organ | 392.00 | 1,000.00 | 750.00 | 392.00 | 450.00 |  |
| 543402 - Piano | 425.00 | 500.00 | 375.00 | 600.00 | 800.00 |  |
| Total 543400 - Instrument Maintenance | 817.00 | 1,500.00 | 1,125.00 | 992.00 | 1,250.00 |  |
| $543700 \cdot$ Garmany Composer-In-Res | - | 390.00 | 292.50 | - | 1,000.00 |  |
| Total 543000 - Music | 817.00 | 3,640.00 | 2,730.00 | 1,567.00 | 4,750.00 |  |
| 544000 - Religious Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $544200 \cdot$ Supplies | 631.39 | 500.00 | 375.00 | 1,248.27 | 960.00 |  |
| 544501 - Summer Activities | - | 200.00 | 150.00 | - | 200.00 |  |
| 544502 - RE \& Family Events |  | 1,000.00 | 750.00 |  | 1,000.00 |  |
| 544700 . Curriculum | 117.30 | 900.00 | 675.00 | - | 900.00 |  |
| 544701 - Coming of Age | 172.95 | 500.00 | 375.00 | - | 500.00 |  |
| Total 544700 - Curriculum | 290.25 | 3,100.00 | 2,325.00 | 1,248.27 | 3,560.00 |  |
| 544800 - Religious Education - Other |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 544802 - Training | 2,160.32 | 150.00 | 112.50 | - | 150.00 |  |
| 544803 - RE Staff Recruitment | 33.32 | - | - | - | - |  |
| 544804 - RE Staff Security Checks | - | 200.00 | 150.00 | 168.25 | 200.00 |  |
| 544800 RE other - other |  |  |  | 167.47 |  |  |
| $544805 \cdot$ RE Classroom Refurbishment | - | 150.00 | 112.50 | - | 150.00 |  |
| Total $544800 \cdot$ Religious Education - Other | 2,193.64 | 500.00 | 375.00 | 335.72 | 500.00 |  |
| Total 544000 - Religious Education | 3,115.28 | 3,600.00 | 2,700.00 | 1,583.99 | 4,060.00 |  |
| $545000 \cdot$ Worship |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $545100 \cdot$ Guest Speakers |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 545101 - Pulpit Supply | 960.00 | 4,200.00 | 3,150.00 | 2,280.00 | 4,000.00 | 300 local 350 driving inNE |


| 545102 -Mileage | 80.00 | 1,400.00 | 1,050.00 | - |  | 12 speakers |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total 545100-Guest Speakers | 1,040.00 | 5,600.00 | 4,200.00 |  | 2,280.00 | 4,000.00 |  |
| 545400 -summer musicians |  |  |  |  | 525.00 |  |  |
| $545200 \cdot$ Worship Supplies | 1,080.65 | 2,400.00 | 1,800.00 |  | 1,509.40 | 2,200.00 |  |
| Total $545000 \cdot$ Worship | 2,120.65 | 8,000.00 | 6,000.00 |  | 4,314.40 | 6,200.00 |  |
| 547000 -Spiritual Life Other | - | - | - |  | - | - |  |
| Total 540000 - Spiritual Life Expenses | 6,052.93 | 15,240.00 | 11,430.00 |  | 7,465.39 | 15,010.00 |  |
| $550000 \cdot$ Compensation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 551000 - DRE |  |  |  |  |  | RE coordinator |  |
| $551100 \cdot$ Salary/Wages | 22,916.10 | 32,000.00 | 24,000.00 |  | 15,721.16 | 25,461.86 | $20 \mathrm{hr} / \mathrm{wk} 14$ in summer |
| $551200 \cdot$ Pension | 2,142.29 | 3,200.00 | 2,400.00 |  | - | - |  |
| 551300 - Insurance | - | 3,200.00 | 2,400.00 |  | - | - |  |
| 551400 - Professional Development | 261.66 | 500.00 | 375.00 |  | 175.00 | 500.00 |  |
| $551500 \cdot \mathrm{FICA}$ | 1,720.48 | 2,448.00 | 1,836.00 |  | 1,159.25 | 1,947.83 |  |
| Total 551000. DRE | 27,040.53 | 41,348.00 | 31,011.00 |  | 17,055.41 | 27,909.69 |  |
| $552000 \cdot$ Minister (Interim/Contract) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $552100 \cdot$ Salary/Wages | 66,669.16 | 21,576.92 | 16,182.69 |  | 21,576.90 | 75,200.00 | \$94k salary+housing |
| $552200 \cdot$ Pension | 3,603.80 | 2,702.88 | 2,027.16 |  | - | 4,700.00 | 5\% pension contribution |
| $552300 \cdot$ Insurance | 1,953.00 | 650.00 | 487.50 |  | 585.90 | 11,492.00 | 80\% UUA plan |
| 552400 - Professional Development | 5,432.24 | - | - |  | - | 6,000.00 | dental health Ltdisabiity Life |
| 552500 - FICA Allowence | 6,379.12 | 417.07 | 312.80 |  | 2,067.67 | 7,191.00 | FICA to Rev 7.65\% of 94k |
| $552600 \cdot$ Housing Allowance | 16,719.16 | 5,451.92 | 5,451.92 |  | 5,451.90 | 18,800.00 | housing $25 \%$ of 94k |
| Total $552000 \cdot$ Minister (Interim) | 100,756.48 | 30,798.80 | 24,462.08 |  | 29,682.38 | 123,383.00 |  |
| $552900 \cdot$ Minister (Contract) |  | 47,000.00 | 35,250.00 | Part-tin | - |  |  |
| $553000 \cdot$ Building Staff |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $553100 \cdot$ Salary/Wages |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 553101 - Fellowship Sexton - Jaz | 1,643.75 | 3,200.00 | 2,400.00 |  | 2,449.71 | 3,328.00 | $3.5 \mathrm{hr} / \mathrm{wk}$ |
| 553102 - Custodian Cleaner | 3,167.78 | 4,500.00 | 3,375.00 |  | 3,265.72 | 4,680.00 | $5.25 \mathrm{hr} / \mathrm{wk}$ |
| 553103 - Sexton | 12,437.97 | 17,500.00 | 13,125.00 |  | 7,774.00 | 14,500.00 | $10 \mathrm{hr} / \mathrm{wk}$ avg |
| 553104 - Building Rentals Manager | 1,675.64 | - | - |  |  | - |  |
| 553109 Suday Tech Support | 386.40 | 6,000.00 | 4,500.00 |  | 3,406.73 | 6,814.08 | $6 \mathrm{hr} / \mathrm{wk}$ |
| Total $553100 \cdot$ Salary/Wages | 19,311.54 | 31,200.00 | 23,400.00 |  | 16,896.16 | 29,322.08 |  |
| $553500 \cdot$ FICA | 1,638.33 | 1,683.00 | 1,262.25 |  | 887.96 | 1,467.27 |  |
| Total $553000 \cdot$ Building Staff | 20,949.87 | 32,883.00 | 24,662.25 | - | 17,784.12 | 30,789.35 |  |
| 554000 - Music Staff |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 554100 - Salary/Wages |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 554101 - Director of Music Ministries | 21,899.30 | 22,200.00 | 16,650.00 |  | 16,162.92 | 24,771.80 | 12\% increase |
| 554102 . Accompanist | - |  |  |  |  | to be closer to U | UA guide |
| 554103 - Choir Director |  | 13,000.00 | 9,750.00 |  |  |  |  |
| 554106 - Garmany Choral Scholars | - | 2,500.00 | 1,875.00 |  | - | 500.00 |  |
| 554107 - Garmany Music Admin. | - | 500.00 | 375.00 |  | - |  |  |
| Total $554100 \cdot$ Salary/Wages | 21,899.30 | 38,200.00 | 28,650.00 |  | 16,162.92 | 25,271.80 |  |
| 554400 - Professional Development | - | 500.00 | 375.00 |  | - | 500.00 |  |
| $554500 \cdot$ FICA | 1,582.56 | 2,692.80 | 2,019.60 |  | 1,236.47 | 1,895.04 |  |
| Total $554000 \cdot$ Music Staff | 23,481.86 | 41,392.80 | 31,044.60 |  | 17,399.39 | 27,666.84 |  |
| $555000 \cdot$ Business Manager |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| $555100 \cdot$ Salary/Wages |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 555101 -Bookkeeper | 11,792.36 | 6,048.00 | 4,536.00 |  | 5,241.60 |  |
| 555102 - Bookeeping Services | 1,152.50 | 5,760.00 | 4,320.00 |  | 5,760.00 |  |
| $555200 \cdot$ Pension | - |  |  | 1,682.25 |  |  |
| $555300 \cdot$ Insurance | - | - | - | - | - |  |
| $555500 \cdot$ FICA | 762.64 | - | - | - | - |  |
| Total 555000 - Business Manager | 13,707.50 | 11,808.00 | 8,856.00 | 1,682.25 | 11,001.60 |  |
| $556000 \cdot$ Administrative Support |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 556100 - Office Administrator |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 556101 - Salary / Wages | 39,578.22 | 41,138.00 | 30,853.50 | 27,690.02 | 38,937.60 |  |
| 556102 -Pension | - | - | - | - | 973.44 | begin 1/1/24 |
| 556103 - FICA | - | - | - | 734.09 | 2,978.73 |  |
| 556105 -Insurance |  |  |  | 2,131.56 | 8,391.00 |  |
| 556100 - Office Administrator - Other |  |  |  | 10,080.00 |  |  |
| 556104 - Professional Development | - | - | - | - | 300.00 |  |
| Total 556100-Office Administrator | 39,578.22 | 41,138.00 | 30,853.50 | 40,635.67 | 51,580.77 |  |
| 556200 -Minister's Assistant |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 556201 - Salary / Wages |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 556203 -FICA | - | - | - | - | - |  |
| Total 556200 - Minister's Assistant | - | - | - | - | - |  |
| Total $556000 \cdot$ Administrative Support | 39,578.22 | 41,138.00 | 30,853.50 | 40,635.67 | 51,580.77 |  |
| $557000 \cdot$ Religious Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 557100 - Paid RE Staff |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 557101 - Nursery \& Child Care | 1,561.75 | 2,304.00 | 1,728.00 | 2,413.75 | 3,328.00 | $3.5 \mathrm{hr} / \mathrm{wk}$ |
| 557102 - RE Administrative Support | - | - | - | - | - |  |
| 557103 - Youth Advisor | - | - | - | - | - |  |
| Total 557100 - Paid RE Staff | 1,561.75 | 2,304.00 | 1,728.00 | 2,413.75 | 3,328.00 |  |
| 557105 - Paid RE Staff FICA | 19.51 | - | - | - | - |  |
| Total 557000 - Paid Re Staff | 1,581.26 | 2,304.00 | 1,728.00 | 2,413.75 | 3,328.00 |  |
| Total $550000 \cdot$ Compensation | 227,095.72 | 248,672.60 | 187,867.43 | 126,652.97 | 275,659.26 |  |
| 590000 - Other Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 591002 - Sabbatical Expenses | - | - | - | - | - |  |
| Total 590000 - Other Expenses | - | - | - | - | - |  |
| Total Budgeted Expenses | 345,899.59 | 406,063.60 | 308,410.68 | 226,099.27 | 427,770.26 | 4\% cola |
| Net Ordinary Income | 36,221.47 | 371.25 | $(3,584.55)$ | 70,827.38 | 224.74 |  |
| 460000. Non-Budgeted Income |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Carpeting Projectr | 14,103.84 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 461000 - Minister's Discretionary Fund | 1,666.00 | - |  | 2,520.00 | - |  |
| $462000 \cdot$ UAMW | - | - |  | - | - |  |
| 463000 - SJ Sunday Collections | 7,992.73 | - |  | 10,322.29 | - |  |
| 464000 - Music Sunday Contributions | - | - |  | - | - |  |
| 464100 - Guest at Your Table | - | - |  | - | - |  |
| 464200 - Sleeping Out in Boxes | - | - |  | - | - |  |
| 464600 - Lighting Project | 48,810.16 | - |  | - | - |  |
| 464400 - Hymnal Donations | 564.00 | - |  | - | - |  |
| 469999 - Minister Moving Expense | 8,514.53 | - |  | - | - |  |
| Total Non-Budgeted Income | 81,651.26 | - |  | 12,842.29 | - |  |
| Non-Budgeted Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| 561000 - Minister Discretionary Fund | 1,666.00 | - |  | 2,510.00 | - |
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| 564700 - Carpeting project | 10,500.00 | - |  | 3,603.84 | - |
| 563000 - SJ Collection Disbursements | 7,381.73 | - |  | 10,170.53 | - |
| 564000 - Music Sunday Contributions | - | - |  | - | - |
| 564100 - Guest at Your Table | - | - |  | - | - |
| 564200 - Sleeping Out In Boxes | - | - |  | - | - |
| 564600 - Lighting Project | 52,135.05 | - |  | 3,000.00 | - |
| 564400 - Purchase of Donated Hymnals | 564.00 | - |  | - | - |
| 569999 - Minister Moving Expense | 8,514.53 | - |  | - | - |
| Total Non-Budgeted Expenses | 80,761.31 | - |  | 19,284.37 | - |
| net unbudgeted income less expense | 889.95 |  |  | $(6,442.08)$ |  |
| Net Ordinary Income | 37,111.42 | 371.25 | $(3,584.55)$ | 64,385.30 | 224.74 |
| dec 282022 transferred to Schwab. |  |  |  |  |  |

# Social Justice Council Report 

## April 11, 2023

The Social Justice Council met on March 21,2023 via Zoom.

## Food Ministry

In addition to participating with the Fern Street Food Ministry Programs, the group decided to reconnect with the Horace Bushnell food pantry and donate all food collections there. The food pantry operates 1day/week and Diana Heymann will inquire about volunteer needs.

## GHIAA (Greater Hartford Interfaith Action Alliance)

This month GHIAA leaders are meeting with our state legislators to discuss our current campaigns:

- Affordable Housing (Fair Share)
- Education Funding
- Gun Violence Prevention
- Husky 4 Immigrants

GHIAA Weekend: Fri 4/28 - Sun 4/30: GHIAA congregations celebrate our work during service.
GHIAA Lobby Day (Tues 5/2): Day of action at the Legislative Office Building - orientation and training, legislative visits, interfaith prayer and relationship building.

## GHIAA Fest Tuesday, 6/13

Food and fun with family and GHIAA friends in the evening, outdoors at USH!

## LGBTQ+/Queer Liberation Memorial

A stained-glass memorial by Dennis Peabody and donated by John G. Bonelli is now hanging in the USH entry lobby. The artwork is in loving memory of Victor D'Lugin, Crispin Hollings, Shawn Lang and others who led the early struggle for LGBTQ+ rights in CT. A memorial service to celebrate the life of Crispin Hollings will take place at USH on Saturday, April 15.

## Environmental Justice

The Council voted to rejoin the Interreligious Eco-Justice Network (IREJN) at a membership level of $\$ 100$ as a first step in reassessing how we want to address climate justice as the Council rebuilds.

## Charity vs Justice

Evaluation of the direction of social justice at USH was discussed - topics included:

- Balance between service for immediate needs and working to change the cause of disparity
- Justice usually works through legislative channels
- Social justice as a spiritual practice
- Social justice as part of USH identity
- GNOs are an opportunity to educate and build relationships with local organizations.

This will be an ongoing discussion.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Sullivan
Chair, Social Justice Council

