

Green Sanctuary Committee Meeting

March 9, 2020

Present: Janet, Ginger, Debbie

1. Business update

- Supply Check—tp and hand soap currently need replenishing. Deb will buy tp.
- Bulletin Board—for April 5-- Life Underfoot/ Explore—add bug net, magnifying glass for KTC week and after.
- Little Free Libraries update—Sign has been placed. Possible dates for recognition--April 26 (4), May 17 (1), 24 (3) June 7 (2)—buy ¼ sheet cake. Publicity—connect with local media-- interview?-Zacory present. Words at coffee hour—go outside to LFL. Janet will coordinate publicity (Deb--get contacts for media)
- Full SJC representation -each take one meeting—check committee calendar and add to agenda.

2. Other Business

- Flood the phones—coffee hour—March 22-Climate Pledge. Deb will contact Rev. Rachel to participate. Deb will send all info. to Ginger for review/help with execution.
- Climate Standout-11th Hour Calling—March and April, 11-noon, Bridgewater Common. Deb contacted BSU Sustainability Club to join us this month and next. Deb—email reminder to list.
- Earth Day 50th Anniversary--April 22 <https://www.earthday2020boston.org/events/>. UUA is coordinating event—Deb will get more info to see about joining. Deb will contact BSU Sustainability. Publicize to congregation.
- Solstice Initiative signs—Signs in place at both stairways. Committee will place in vestibule by end of March.
- CD recycling update--Janet reports more CDs being gathered. She will empty containers at church and track timing of trip to recycling firm. VHS tapes--Janet will research possible recycling resources/check with Savers again. Janet will look for buyer for old church silverware. Deb will check with crochet group re: use VHS tapes.
- Interfaith Power and Light—Janet emailed IP&L re: cancellation, with copies to Rev. Paul and committee members.
- Metal Recycling (May 2)—blurb in March Bridging and part of Green Tip. Deb will continue to remind folks through weekly email (CDs also)---spring clean up, starting now. Deb will write blurb for April Bridging.
- Newspaper sleeves—recycled for sleeping pads for homeless—Deb delivered 1000+ sleeves on Feb. 7 to new location—Bridgewater Senior Center. Deb will try to find schedule for delivery. Bridging blurb invited congregation to participate in recycling/GSC will manage.
- Question of cloth towels vs. PT during coronavirus outbreak—Deb researched and responded to Rev. Paul and PC president with CDC recommendations/studies showing no evidence of efficacy of PT over towels.

3. GSC Services 2019-2020

- April 19, 2020— Historical Relationship with Insects—Ginger contacted Blake D. He will bring insect specimens for Time for All Ages and is developing PP for presentation. Songs-- #298—“Wake Now My Senses”, #395 “Sing and Rejoice” round, and re-written lyrics to “Oh, What a Beautiful Morning”. Deb contacted Tony (musician for day) and invited his ideas for music. Meditation-Mary Oliver—Sleeping in the Forest excerpt. Readings/Thought for Contemplation—all look. Ginger--Weekly email—Attention Kids of all Ages!! heading to try to attract kids-- notify Sara to put in blurb. Ginger will notify Blake to get PP slides to Alan by two weeks ahead, if possible.
By March 15, Ginger will send bio and service description to Worship Committee for inclusion in April Bridging.
- On Fire—Naomi Klein (book suggested by Eileen H.)—get away from materialism

4. Church Retreat Follow up

- Retreat action—investigate ways to collaborate with Cranberry/cluster churches' environmental committees for programs, ideas, bulk purchases, etc. **Deb** will contact Patty S./Kimberly F. re: collaboration for showing film recommended by UUA—**The Condor and the Eagle**.
5. **Bridging Tip Schedule** -- by March 20-Ginger; by April 20-Deb
Green Tipper provides Bridging with meeting date—**Ginger** does OOS/weekly email notice.
 6. **Next Meeting**—April 6 at 1:00 p.m. at Janet's (week early to allow planning of service)