Green Sanctuary Committee Meeting January 11, 2021

Present: Ginger, Janet, Debbie

- 1. 2021 Sunday Services ideas—Deb placed April 18 on Google calendar (tentative)
- New England Coastal Wildlife Alliance—local group researching basking sharks https://necwa.org/neb_shark.html
- GSC 2020
- ***Frederick Law Olmsted—Gerry Wright portrayal via ZOOM—Deb will contact GW re: ZOOM presentation—topic?/date?/fee?
- IP&L packet—Faith Climate Action Week -- "Sacred Ground: Cultivating Connections Between our Faith, our Food, and the Climate." Deb signed up for notification—downloadable—may be fee -- Kiss the Ground (Netflix) documentary about permaculture
- Rachel Carson
- Round the Bend Farm –Dartmouth, MA root causes of climate, energy, and food insecurity

2. Recycling Update

- Metal Recycling- church administrator wrote check for \$300 to Bridgewater Food Pantry with accompanying letter—mid December.
- CD recycling—no update
- VHS tapes—no update
- Newspaper sleeves— Deb wrote Bridging blurb re: contact GSC member for pick-up of bags. Deb will post reminder blurbs in weekly email last two weeks of January.

Janet—will contact Joanne B. re: drop off newspaper sleeves in Lakeville at end of February/early March and will discuss strategies for laundering masks made for homeless—collaboration with commercial laundry/Mainspring/Soupman/faith groups-- and arranging drop—off locations. Other partnerships?

• Earth Day Talking Trash & Recycling Presentation Now! Deb will contact and set up.

3. GSC 2020 Webinar- possible response/actions

Update--Deb provided Bridging Blurb in January issue, outlining programs in place through SJC and welcoming ideas and participation of wider congregation.

Possible action:

initiate partnership with Bridgewater Food Pantry in June or later to:

- -provide monthly recipe/food tips to recipients which would encourage trying unfamiliar foods, expanding knowledge and improving nutrition—add spices, new ingredients, swap out less healthy ingredients for better choices
- -provide samples of new foods/dishes on site once each month
- -possibly team up with public health/nutrition professionals for input and expertise (BSU staff/intern?)
- -encourage participation of church members, through sharing recipes and volunteering
- 4. **Report for monthly SJC—**Deb will submit to include—GSC action overview, homeless and masks strategies, service topic for April, newspaper sleeves
- 5. IP&L Webinar—Unbreathable—Jan. 19 at 6:30 pm
- 6. **Bridging Tip Schedule** -- by January 20-Janet; by February 20-Ginger; by March 20-Deb Green Tipper provides Bridging with monthly meeting date, to be placed in monthly calendar. New Google calendar http://bit.ly/fb bridgewater Gcal for all postings
- 7. Next Meeting—Feb. 8, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. via ZOOM

**Schedule Your Earth Day Talking Trash & Recycling Presentation Now! (Deb's saved emails) Earth Day 2021 (April 22) is coming sooner than you think. Reserve your free Talking Trash & Recycling presentation now.

This 45-minute presentation explains what really happens to your trash and recyclables here in Massachusetts, including small steps we can all take to reduce, reuse, and recycle more effectively. We include 15-30 additional minutes for questions and answers at the end.

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All best,

Sarah Paulos