

Minutes from March 24 Green Team Meeting

Present: Pastor Amy, Harold Hight, Georgeanne Hoover, Marilyn Sorrick, Jimmy & Julie Wallace

We caught up and reviewed plans we had been making when last we met in person on March 8, 2020. Some of our goals and successes were:

- * Working on the feasibility of ordering cloth bags with our logo
- * Rejoicing that we had just installed a composter outside the kitchen
- * Looking into the steps it will take to become a Creative Justice Church
- * Planning a volunteer venture with Oriana House to help teach growing techniques
- * Crafting a sign for the kitchen with our green rules.

We had ordered Norway spruce seedlings that were delivered as the first of many-to-come home deliveries to the congregation. They were in celebration of Earth Day 2020.

The primary concern of this meeting was to put together plans for the Creation Care/ Earth Day Sunday service that will be on April 25.

We decided each member of the Green Team would participate in the service, either through "Better Practices" demonstrations, music, or readings. The members who attended the meeting all received assignments; the rest of the team will be asked to participate, as well.

Most of the presentations will be taped outdoors, if appropriate and practical.

Pastor Amy had received, just previous to our meeting, materials from Creative Justice Ministries that had some great ideas for our service and suggestions for actions we should take as individuals and as a church.

It was suggested we invite a member of the Kent Environmental Council to participate in the service.

Assignments for the service so far:

Georgeanne: Composting

Harold: Laundry Methods/Musical Offering

Jimmy: Solar Panels

Marilyn: Rain Barrel

Rhuna: Musical Offering

Julie: Prayer of Confession

We will ask the rest of the committee to take part either through a reading or presentation.

Other Items we discussed:

The new LED lights in the sanctuary will help reduce electric usage.

A concern was voiced concerning why we are using any type of chemicals on the church grounds and if they are necessary.

Our next meeting wasn't officially put on the calendar but we have decided to meet more regularly, even if it is through Zoom.