New Brackett Church - Bridge Committee Meeting Minutes

Date, Time: Wednesday, November 17, 4 pm Zoom

Attendees: Linda Capone-Newton (Committee Chair), Joanne Sterling (scribe), Karin Elofson, Tookie Harris, Jeannie Ashmore, Rev. Will Green, Andrea Rosenberg

1) Call to Order - Linda

- a. Covenant reading Linda
- b. Prayer Rev. Will

2) Climate Change Service – Nov. 14, 2021

- a. Many positive comments were received about the service; one person expressed that each presenter's role fit their strengths very well.
- b. How can we incorporate these roles in more of the services? Linda recommended we meet to discuss.
- c. Jeanie will send us all the videos she captured.
- d. The hedge plantings made by Timmi, Andrea and the kids look great. Jose will remove extra growth back in that area.
- e. Possible follow-up could be a talk by the Baykeeper from the Friends of Casco Bay who spoke in Glasgow. Linda will talk with Margo about organizing that.

3) Gratitude Walk

- a. Linda and Karin cannot attend.
- b. Baked goods: Linda cake and pumpkin bread; Joanne Blondies; Tookie cookies and leftover from Fellowship; cold cider and water
- c. Jeannie will post on NextDoor and Carol's list; Will will announce in NBC email
- d. Walk up Pleasant Ave and back

4) Communication strategy

- a. What is our strategy for postings in church and on the PI Kiosks?
- b. How do we announce to everyone that we are now part of the UCC and UUA?
- c. Post through the PI Collaborative Assn., Star, Next Door, Carol's list
- d. Vary text with graphics
- e. Liz did a mock-up of covenant with photos. Worship and Bridge will vote.
- **f.** Thank you notes designed by Barbara Carter have been ordered We will send them to volunteers.

5) Community events

a. Suppers and an event to thank volunteers have been tabled due to COVID-19

6) CA&P

- a. The program has met a lot of relationship needs for kids and adults.
- b. Will take a break this winter. Resume in Spring.
- c. Sharoan's dance programs will be offered.
- d. Kids made an awesome sculpture which is in the Fellowship Hall.

New Social Justice Program

- e. Co-leaders: Joanne and Caron
- f. Areas of focus will include Wabanaki legislation, anti-racism, climate change, immigrant/refugee justice, gun safety
- g. First meeting: Tuesday, Nov. 23

7) Drumming anyone?

a. Georgette is wondering if anyone is interested in joining a drumming group on Dec. 2 at 6pm. 10 people have replied via NextDoor.

8) Community concerts in the Sanctuary

- a. Ellen Mahoney and Ed would like to hold community concerts in the sanctuary about one Friday/month.
- b. Vaccination and masks would be required.
- c. By donation
- d. Tookie and Joanne will share coordinating duties (opening church, turning on heat, closing, etc.)

9) Adjournment

a. Meeting ended at 5:20 pm.

10) Next Meeting

a. Wednesday, Dec. 15 at 4 pm.