



# The Community News

May, 2021

## OUR VISION

*We will become a dynamic and nurturing religious community that celebrates our human diversity, supports lifelong spiritual growth, and acts for compassion and justice in the larger community.*

### President's Letter

As I write this, I reflect on the two years that I have served as President of the Board of Trustees. It has been, to use a much over-used term, unprecedented. These past two years have been a time of learning for all of us. As we move into what is referred to as our "new normal," we are doing so stronger than ever.

In many ways, serving as President of the Board has been a humbling experience. I'm aware that it is really our incredible Board of Trustees, our staff and our committees and volunteers who keep things running. I am so grateful for every one of you.

The coming months and years will continue to be a time of change for our Church. We have much work to do on all fronts. There is recovery from both a global pandemic that has forced us to rethink and rework many of our programs and traditions. On top of that, we are in the middle of rebuilding our physical facility after this winter's weather calamity.

During the time we have been apart, we have learned how to interact with technology in more effective ways. When we get back together, we plan to continue to use and grow those skills as a way to better serve our community.

As a result of the physical damage the building suffered, we are making some long-needed updates and improvements. When we do resume meeting in our Church, it will be a brighter and more welcoming place. The Facilities Team has put together a plan for making some exciting improvements. It will be presented and voted on at the Congregational Meeting on May 23.

Our stewardship theme this year was "Get Back Together Better."

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Sunday Services

Theme - Story

May 2 - "Seeking the Seekers" - Pastor Kris Cervantes. See page 2.

May 9 - "Throw Mama Out of Jail: Mother's Day in American" - Pastor Kris Cervantes. See page 2.

May 16 - "The Transformational Power of a Story" - guest speaker - Rev. Milo Grand

May 23 - "Social Gospel: Heaven on Earth" - guest speaker, Kiya Heartwood.

May 30 - "The Good, the Bad and the Ugly of Immigration Today" - guest speaker - Bill Holston. See page 2.

Typical Sunday

Out of an abundance of caution until further notice, we have shifted from in-church Sunday morning services to **zoom worship services via our website**. Our intent is to help minimize the potential spread of the corona virus in our communities and protect the most vulnerable.

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**May 2, 2021 - “Seeking the Seekers”**

There are some stories that humans must tell again and again, it seems: stories about who we are, how we live, and where we're bound. This Sunday Pastor Kris Cervantes explores the lures, limits, and liminal spaces of Unitarian Universalist seeking and thriving.

**May 9, 2021 - “Throw Mama Out of Jail: Mother's Day in America”**

We'll celebrate Mother's Day and all its joys, as well as recognizing the hardships of mothering and being mothered--often stifled on this day. We will also tell the story of mothers held without charges in prisons and jails for this holiday, and the families struggling to get by without Mom at home.

**May 30, 2021 - “The Good, the Bad and the Ugly of Immigration Today”**

Even when U.S. administrations change, immigration problems persist. Bill Holston, executive director of Human Rights Initiative, will take us on a tour of what's changed under the Biden administration, what still needs to change, and the effect our immigration and asylum laws have on people seeking shelter, safety and hope.

## **May Share the Plate**

### **UBarU Summer Camp**

Plans are being made to safely operate our summer camp this summer (see details at [ubaru.org](http://ubaru.org))

With all we have been through a lot this past year. We are hoping to do something for all school age kids to look forward to. The plans are;

Elementary School age June 27 thru July 3

Middle School age July 5 thru July 10

High School age July 11 thru July 17

There are many opportunities for our charity money these days. Please review your charity giving plans and see if there is room to make some kid's summer extra special this year.

Thank you

Bill Daffinee

Assistant Treasurer UBarU Camp & Retreat Center

## **Highlights of Trustee meeting on April 10, 2021.**

### **Stewardship Committee (Dick Hildenbrand)**

- The total amount anticipated for pledge drive is now approximately \$160,000, with about \$5000 still anticipated, representing \$20,000 shortfall from the proposed coming-year budget.
- Contact attempts continue for members who have not yet pledged.
- Expense reduction will come from deferring the hiring of a Membership Coordinator for the upcoming year. There is no plan to make cuts in staff hours or salaries.
- The Board recognized the Stewardship/Fundraising committee with gratitude for their efforts.

### **Pastoral Report (Kris Cervantes)**

- Pastor Kris Cervantes reached out by phone to some members who have not yet engaged personally with her.
- Pastor Kris requested time away for personal study leave following General Assembly. This will be addressed as part of contract negotiations.
- Pastor Kris conducted the performance evaluation for the Church administrator.

### **Fundraiser/Silent Auction: (Jodie Zoeller)**

- The Spring Silent Auction is underway, progress was reviewed.
- Monthly Fun Raiser nights will continue and are drawing a good attendance plus providing a fellowship activity.

### **Communications: (Jeannette Baillie)**

Work continues on upgrade of the website. Jeannette is looking for a new calendar plug-in. The church email is transitioning to Mail Chimp.

Gene Verinder and Jeannette are at work to improve branding on our YouTube page and to resolve technical problems. Efforts to improve the format and readability of the Newsletter have received very positive feedback.

Good feedback has also been generated regarding the look and placement of Announcements in the video following the service.

All were reminded to write the content when submitting information for inclusion in Church publications.

### **Finance : (Cindy Hadden)**

- We are managing pretty well and may break even at the end of the fiscal year.
- The Treasurer proposed presenting a \$20,000 deficit budget at the May Congregational Meeting.
- Investment Committee: JoAnn Houston has not been recognized by Schwab to transact on the investment account. Dave Hollands is still a signatory so will need to approve JoAnn's authority, then he can be removed from the account and resign from the committee.

### **Facilities: (Tom Brikowski)**

- The earliest possible date to resume building use is late June.
- There is much curiosity among the congregation about the status of our building renovation. Tom suggested more visuals and information about progress on renovation be widely distributed in our outlets.
- The insurance company has calculated a \$25,000 to \$30,000 depreciation factor into their offer. Our coverage specifies "replacement value" on losses. Tom will follow up. We could apply for a grant from UUA to cover overages. There is \$54,000 in the project budget with \$50,000 in reserve cash.

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**Simple Living Chalice Circle**  
There will be a meeting May 8 via Zoom. Theme/topic – Learning together to live deliberately. Facilitator Ona Tannehill, email: [simpleliving@communityuu.church.org](mailto:simpleliving@communityuu.church.org)

## Women's Fellowship Breakfast Zoom

To all the women of the Church: We're having a virtual fellowship breakfast gathering of all the women of the Church on **Saturday, May 15 on Zoom from 8:30am and ending at 9:30.**

Come join us for a morning of good food (as you eat your own breakfast) and fellowship to meet other women in the Church. For more information, questions and to RSVP, contact Vicki Verinder at:

[womens-fellowship@communityuuchurch.org](mailto:womens-fellowship@communityuuchurch.org).

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/93350821472?pwd=L1RId0JyUUdvR01xeWtqbWZDb1ZOUT09>

Meeting ID: 933 5082 1472

Passcode: women

**The Men's Fellowship Breakfast has been cancelled until further notice.**

Friday Flix has been cancelled until further notice.

## RE Dates

May 2 - Zoom RE - Mother's Day Craft and origins.

May 9 - NO RE class.

May 16 - NO RE class.

May 23 - RE class @ Church Garden - Celebrate.

May 30 - NO RE class.

**Deadline for the June newsletter is noon, THURSDAY, May 20 Email articles to [newsletter@communityuu.church.org](mailto:newsletter@communityuu.church.org).**

## Literary Ladies Book Club

**Upcoming Meeting.** Women members and friends of Community UU Church are welcome to join us on the **third Tuesday of the month from 7 – 9pm.**

**Date:** May 18

**Location:** This meeting will occur in your home by connecting to Zoom. **If you would like to receive an invitation, contact Deb Bliss by May 14 at [literaryladies@communityuuchurch.org](mailto:literaryladies@communityuuchurch.org).**

**Selection: Some Assembly Required: Decoding Four Billion Years of Life from Fossils to DNA by Neil Shubin**

*The author of the best-selling *Your Inner Fish* gives us a lively and accessible account of the great transformations in the history of life on Earth--a new view of the evolution of human and animal life that explains how the incredible diversity of life on our planet came to be.*

*Over billions of years, ancient fish evolved to walk on land, reptiles transformed into birds that fly, and apelike primates evolved into humans that walk on two legs, talk, and write. For more than a century, paleontologists have traveled the globe to find fossils that show how such changes have happened.*

*We have now arrived at a remarkable moment—prehistoric fossils coupled with new DNA technology have given us the tools to answer some of the basic questions of our existence: How do big changes in evolution happen? Is our presence on Earth the product of mere chance? This new science reveals a multibillion-year evolutionary history filled with twists and turns, trial and error, accident and invention.*

*In *Some Assembly Required*, Neil Shubin takes readers on a journey of discovery spanning centuries, as explorers and scientists seek to understand the origins of life's immense diversity.*

Amazon

**Guest At Your Table.** For many years our Church congregation has provided monetary donations to this UU Service Committee program called Guest At Your Table. In the past we have presented a skit of sorts dealing with how we can help other people in our country and around the world who are in need for food and other supplies.

The UU Congregational at Shelter Road is still offering a match, which is available throughout the year. However, starting this fall the amount eligible to be match has changed from \$125 to \$150.

This year 2020-21 we are asking interested donors to submit their monetary donations in the form of **checks to the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee-memo line Guest At Your Table. You can write a check to UUSC and mail it to Guest At Your Table, UUSC, P.O. Box 808, Newark, NJ. 07101-0808 or donate online.**

Deadline related to GAYT is for donations to be received by the end of June in order to be attributed toward the current program year.

From UU Women's Federation:

### **MINERVA POTLUCKS**

Minerva Potlucks are a time for spiritual renewal and nourishment. A safe and sacred space for women to connect with one another in spiritual exploration. A treasured tradition in some women's circles that typically takes place at the beginning of each new month.

To help UU Women stay connected during this time of isolation, in collaboration with UU Women and Religion, we are offering Virtual Minerva Gatherings via Zoom weekly! Note: There is no charge to participate.

These online gatherings will embody the same elements of conversation, poetry, music, art and ritual as our in-person Minerva Gatherings have over the years. If you would like to join us in a diverse celebration of women and femininity, please **email ([TwinkleManning@gmail.com](mailto:TwinkleManning@gmail.com)) to receive the private Zoom link. (Type "Minerva Potluck" in the subject line.)**

Go to <http://twinklesplace.org/UU-Women-Online-Offerings/> for more information about online programs.

These programs are funded in part, by a generous grant from UU Women's Connection (no link), by UU Women and Religion (<https://www.uuwr.org/>), UU Women's Federation (<https://www.uuwf.org/>), and by UU women supporters (<http://twinklesplace.org/supporting-uu-womens-online-offerings/>).

## Social Action

### What's New in the Garden?

Water, wait, and watch for greening. That's been our patient mantra as we assess the February freeze damage at Community Harvest Garden. The resilience of many plants has amazed us, particularly deceptively delicate appearing cilantro. Each year we allow some cilantro plants to go to seed. The fern-like foliage provides beneficial insect nurseries (think ladybugs) and the resulting coriander seeds are useful in cooking.

We've created new community beds for okra and melons. These crops take up a good deal of space in our 4'x16' plots and this effort helps to avoid paths clogged with tangled vines and shade on other plants. After spreading a blend of soil and compost, adding nutrients, dried molasses, and water, we wait several weeks to plant giving the micro-organisms a chance to multiply and prepare a welcoming habitat for our seeds. A soaker hose aids in summer watering detail. Keeping bare soil covered with mulch will reduce weeds and evaporation. We use bales of coastal hay. Shredded leaves also work well and eventually breakdown to add organic matter to our thick clay soil.

While the weather is pleasant this month, bring your family and friends to stroll through the paths. We have benches and tables for your picnic!

### Gods Pantry

Gods Pantry has been able to locate a dependable second source for meats, eggs and cheese to supplement North Texas Food Bank(NTFB). The NTFB support of the Pantry has been uneven at best and caused many unexpected expenses when supplies had to be purchased elsewhere. This new non profit source is a welcome relief to the Pantry. As always the donations from our Harvest Garden every Saturday morning are welcomed as are the individual contributions from our members and our church support of their electric and communications monthly payments.

Gods Pantry is in need of a volunteer to help with a minor addition to their website. **Please contact Linda Frank for more information 214-377-9771.** Thank you.

### Barron Elementary School Donations

Anne Smith dropped off some Kleenex and Clorox wipes to Barron Elementary School and spoke briefly with Mirla Angel, our contact for donations. She said that so far this school year has gone pretty well with a smaller number of students in person on a shared schedule with other grades. She was very thankful for the donations as they are much needed. **If anyone has additional supplies such as hand sanitizers, wipes, Kleenex, dry erase white boards, dry erase markers and spiral notebooks with blank pages, please consider dropping them off at Church in the box marked Barron Supplies** located in the alcove across from the water fountains. Anne will be checking on the box supplies every week or so into the future. Thanks for all your help!

### TXUUM

Our state legislators are making decisions this summer that will impact our daily lives for years to come.

You can make a difference in Texas by contacting your legislators in a timely manner to express your opinions on decisions as they come up for a vote. If you would like to receive updates on issues before the legislature, send your name to [txuum@communityuuchurch.org](mailto:txuum@communityuuchurch.org).

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## TXUUJM

### Take Action to Save Texas Moms

Priority #3 of the Texas UU Justice Ministry (TXUUJM) this Texas Legislative Session is Healthcare Access. Texas has an exceedingly high Maternal Mortality rate, with far too many mothers dying during pregnancy or within 12 months after delivery. The death rates are far higher for black mothers, which means this is also a (TXUUJM Priority #1) Racial Justice issue.

Texas has refused to expand Medicaid under the Affordable Care Act (Obamacare) and will likely continue to do so—even though Medicaid expansion would mean a healthier population and an influx of federal dollars for a stronger economy.

House Bill 133 by Toni Rose would extend Medicaid coverage for new mothers on Medicaid from 2 months to 12 months after delivery. This is a critical time when moms need health coverage for problems such as post-partum depression, high blood pressure, diabetes, and substance use disorders.

A recent [report](#) from Texans Care for Children and the St. David's Foundation found that providing mental health care alone would save Texas "at least \$1 billion over a 6-year period."

HB 133 was heard on 3/23 in the House Human Services Committee. Although it is too late to testify, you can still advocate for the Committee to support HB 133.

Please lend YOUR voice by contacting the members of the Committee (other than Rose), as well as your Representative to ask them to support HB 133. To find out who represents you, go [here](#) our Collin County Representatives need to hear from us Shaheen (66) and Noble (89).

See the TXUUJM Social Justice web page for a sample letter and committee members contact information.

For our April 2021 calendar, go to our website at:  
[CommunityUUChurch.org](http://CommunityUUChurch.org)

**Annual congregational meeting is Sunday, May23 via zoom following the worship service.**

**(continued from page 3) Highlights of Trustee meeting on April 10, 2021.**

Relocating the minister's and bookkeeper's offices was tabled.

Remodeling and renovation possibilities were discussed. No decisions have been made regarding materials or color scheme. Tom distributed a preliminary questionnaire including some of the choices.

The church sign upgrade was paid through inheritance funds.

**Religious Education: (Brennan Hadden)**

Reference checks are underway for two RE Director applicants.

Our children continue to have one Zoom meeting and one in-person activity in the garden each month

The Religious Education Board is planning for summer programs, although much hinges on status of building repairs and Covid-related re-opening.

**Next Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be Saturday, May 15, 2021**

**Dear Friends of UBARU,**

Welcome to a New Year and a new phase in the life of UBARU Camp and Retreat Center. Oh, we are still the rugged, 142 acre UU Youth Camp in the Texas Hill Country and a welcoming, contemplative Retreat space for many. But, this past year has brought transition for us as well as for each of you. While we were unable to host on-site Youth Camps last Summer, we attempted to reach out online to many of our youth. Our digital offerings have bridged many topics including a weekly broadcast of the UU Free Range Ministry service with Rev. Betty Skwarek, occasional offerings of nature-based programs featuring flora and fauna at UBARU and in the Hill Country, seasonal spiritual offerings marking the solstice, and conversational sessions.

Onsite we have exercised the utmost caution in hosting your visits to the campus, including a socially-distanced Men-aligned Retreat last Fall, a hybrid Star Party featuring dark sky viewing onsite coupled with online content for those at home and a Bridging Ceremony for former high school-aged youth camp attendees as they transition to adulthood. We continue to host monthly Dark Sky viewings. And individuals and families have enjoyed private quaren-team retreats, lodging in the cabins, Ranch House and the private suites of the Rev. Dwight and Marie Brown Center. We've even hosted folks camping and enjoying the fire circle.

We have been fortunate to receive some financial support from the federal government in the form of loans through the PPP and EIDL programs. But most importantly we have significantly increased the number of Members of UBARU whose contributions have sustained us during this past year of transition. We have been able to maintain full staffing to support on-site and online activities.

Based on the success of last Fall's Men-aligned Retreat safety protocols, we have scheduled Men- and Women-aligned Retreats for the Spring. We are continuing to plan for a full range of Youth Summer Camps and Fall Retreats, mindful always of the steps necessary to keep everyone safe.

In order to continue to serve you all, we ask to count on your continuing membership and financial contributions. Your donations and your paid, onsite visits will help UBARU to continue to be a place of reflection, healing, learning, spiritual growth and fun.

Thank you again for your confidence and generous support of UBARU. We hope to see you again soon.

Wishing you the best of health and community.

Gratefully yours, Michael West UBarU Board President

# March Financial Report

*Finance Report by Cindy Hadden Treasurer*

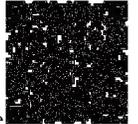
The March financial summary for our operating accounts is listed below. We are currently still \$0.9K below our budget, which was adopted before the whole Covid pandemic took us in it's grip. This is great news. We might break even yet this year. Pledges are not coming in quite as well as we had hoped, and a deficit budget will be proposed to the congregation in May. But as I said before, because this year, with it's strange curveball, is actually turning out better then feared, we should be well able to absorb the deficit. This is not a time to make big changes to our budget, as we hopefully will be returning to meeting each other in person sometime soon, and we will have to adjust to yet another "new" normal for the budget.

**Looking Forward:** You can help by submitting your pledge for next year, if you have not done so yet. And if you have the ability to give a little extra we can make the return great for everyone. We are continuing our minister at 3/4 time, and are still working on hiring a DRE. facility costs are pretty stable, and continue, even as the building is not usable at the moment. A lot of people are working hard at preparing all to be ready to open when we can.

## Upcoming Share the Plate Offerings

Date	Recipient
May 30	UBarU
June 27	HRI

*If you forget your checkbook on a Share the Plate Sunday, remember you can always donate on line.*



March's *Share the Plate* netted \$85 for the Benevolence Fund. **Thank you!**

### FREE MONEY!

**Kroger:** Update your Kroger Plus card to link to organization 83309 at [www.kroger.com/communtyrewards](http://www.kroger.com/communtyrewards).

**Tom Thumb:** Link your Rewards card to charity 8089 at Customer Service - you can link up to 3 charities.

**Amazon.com:** Use this link for purchases: <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/75-1787256>

*The Church will get a portion of all purchase amounts!*

## INCOME & EXPENSE March, 2021

Income	March 2021	Month Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Annual Budget	% Annual Budget (FY 83.33% comp)
Total Offering Income	\$ 13,532	\$14,625	\$147,448	\$175,370	\$207,100	71.20%
Total Fund Raiser Income	\$ 70	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,481	\$ 20,965	\$ 21,115	11.75%
Total Building Usage	\$ 1,004	\$ 2,508	\$ 9,878	\$ 22,679	\$ 28,145	35.10%
Misc. Income	\$ 16	\$ 30	\$ 157	\$ 9,334	\$ 11,627	1.35%
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$14,621</b>	<b>\$19,663</b>	<b>\$159,964</b>	<b>\$228,348</b>	<b>\$267,987</b>	<b>59.69%</b>
<b>Expense</b>						
Administration	\$ 2,906	\$ 4,194	\$ 40,770	\$ 48,993	\$ 57,830	70.50%
Programs	\$ 2,109	\$ 2,535	\$ 17,017	\$ 24,141	\$ 29,363	57.95%
Religious Education	\$ 0	\$ 5,057	\$ 1,112	\$ 56,420	\$ 66,883	1.66%
Facilities & Grounds	\$ 3,390	\$ 3,708	\$ 53,789	\$ 46,808	\$ 56,965	94.42%
Ministry	\$ 3,779	\$3,298	\$ 28,509	\$ 32,350	\$ 38,946	73.20%
Denomination	\$ 1,800	\$1,800	\$ 16,205	\$ 16,200	\$18,000	90.03%
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$13,984</b>	<b>\$20,593</b>	<b>\$157,402</b>	<b>\$224,911</b>	<b>\$267,987</b>	<b>58.73%</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 637</b>	<b>-\$ 930</b>	<b>\$ 2,562</b>	<b>\$ 3,437</b>	<b>\$0</b>	

## *Adult Religious Education Classes*

The Mission of the **Adult Religious Education Program** is to nurture and stimulate the religious and personal growth of the adult church community. We offer a varied and cohesive program within the context of the living Unitarian Universalist tradition and principles. **The church website has been updated with the latest classes and class descriptions - check it out at [www.CommunityUUChurch.org](http://www.CommunityUUChurch.org), under Adult Religious Education.** CHILDCARE is available for all classes, upon request. To reserve childcare call the church office (972-424-8989) at least 48 hours in advance.

**Tibetan Buddhism, join Tashi Nyima for Virtual Sangha on Tuesdays, Wednesday and Thursdays at 7pm. Please join us from your home at <https://zoom.us/j/825940300>.**

It is wise to download Zoom before your first use. As a courtesy to others, please place your computer on silent mode during the meditation and until it is time to discuss the teachings.

### Thursday

The Thursday Event Humanist group is not meeting at this time.

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*Trustees meetings are held the third Saturday of each month at 10am in the Annex. Members, friends and visitors are always welcome.*

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Strategic Planning Committee, Chair: vacant -

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Technology Committee, Chair: vacant -

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## Other UU Website Links

Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA) - **www.uua.org**

Unitarian Universalist Service Committee (UUSC) -

**www.uusc.org**

UUA Southern Region - **www.uua.org/southern**

North Texas Unitarian Universalist Congregations (NTUUC) - **www.ntuuc.org**

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UBarU Camp and Retreat Center, Trustee: Bill Daffinee -

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# Church Office Hours

The Church office is temporarily closed.

Consulting Pastor Kris Cervantes by appointment.

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Church Secretary Connie Meints  
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Music Director Christopher Wolff

## *The Community News*

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**Community Church Congregational Meeting Agenda**  
**Sunday, May 23, 2021**  
**12 noon to 1:30 pm**

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| I. Opening Words  | Kris Cervantes, Consulting Pastor |
| II. Call to Order and Chalice Lighting  | Kimberly Schramm                  |
| III. Quorum Verification  | Secretary                         |
| IV. Adoption of Process   | Kimberly Schramm                  |
| A. No person may speak for more than 3 minutes on any one topic   |                                   |
| B. No person may speak more than once on any item as long as anyone else wishes to speak  |                                   |
| C. After initial presentation, debate time for each item shall be 15 minutes. After 15 minutes the question will be called unless a motion is made to extend debate another 10 minutes. A majority vote will determine if debate is to be extended. |                                   |
| V. Acceptance of minutes from Congregational Meeting, November 15, 2020   |                                   |
| VI. Presentation of the Update to By-laws   | Jodie Zoeller                     |
| VII. Presentation of the Slate of Officers for 2020-21  | Kimberly Schramm                  |
| VIII. Financial Report  | Cindy Hadden, Treasurer           |
| IX. Approval of 2021-2022 budget  |                                   |
| X. Religious Education Report   | Brennan Hadden, RE Board Chair    |
| XI. Extinguishing the Chalice   | Kimberly Schramm                  |
| XII. Benediction  | Pastor Kris                       |

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