

Pastoral Report June - July 2020
July 16 – August 13, 2020 (Since last report submitted July 15, 2020)

Due to COVID concerns, the church building has been closed from March 16 – September 12. Online worship (Live streaming Facebook and website) has been active since March 22

A few Face to Face Meetings are occurring
Zoom meetings are an option, as are email meetings for councils

Worship

- Led worship/preached on the following days

July 19 (live stream 1 service, teleconferencing); July 26 (live stream 1 service, teleconferencing);

Assisted August 2 (1 service, videotaped) posted online Facebook X2, Youtube, and church website); August 9 (1 service, videotaped); placed online in Facebook (x2); youtube, and church website locations

Funeral: none at present

Wedding July 25

Baptism none at present

Administrative

Hot and humid, yes. Still living a faithful life

Meetings

July 20 - Consistory

July 28 – Karen, Byers communication meeting;

July 28 - Pat Frey church matters

July 30 – JFC conference phone call – re: Administrative Assistant position

August 10 – personnel meeting

August 10 – 2 interviews for administrative assistant

August 11 – meeting with Administrative Assistant

August 11 – Church and community connections council

August 12 – Christian Education council

Pastoral Care

Calls - 10

Pastoral Care/Counselling - 12

Use of texting as well

Outreach/Ventures

8-10 calls to neighboring churches

5-10 calls to UCC churches

July 24 – community member
July 29 – meeting with clergy
July 30 – meeting with community member

Theology Pub: - Alibi's Eatery and Spirits

7/12/20 zoom call 1 person

May have issue to deal with in future (location of alibi's, as apparently Alibi's is being sold, and not with alcohol license) (other possible locations to consider for the future - seven dot, market cross, hook and flask)

Community Office Hours:

July 23 - no community office hours due to safety concerns (and Panera not open to seating)
July 30 - no community office hours due to safety concerns (and Panera not open to seating)
August 6 - no community office hours (vacation)
August 13 - no community office hours due to safety concerns (and Panera not open to seating)

FELLOWSHIP EVENTS –

Men's group and weekday festival events are on hold, depending on decisions of consistory and statements from the governor about Cumberland county

INFORMATIONAL

No sunset vespers or Messy church for summer (on break)

On Vacation

August 2 – August 9

Leo's/Ice cream concept:

In discussing event at our own home, issues were raised (one bathroom in house; policing of people with masks) and after discussing with consistory president decided to put idea on hold for now

Sabbatical: I am still approximately a year away from having a Sabbatical, but would like to bring this up a future topic (in my original call agreement)

Fall Small Groups/Activities

A continuing discussion needs to be held (whether events will happen or be cancelled in the fall)

Status of Church/Community events

Human Trafficking Event 1 pm – 3pm march 29 **CANCELLED (Pandemic, to be rescheduled in 2021** [March April may 2020 report – details]

Music on the Plaza – Celtic Martins – June 12, 2020 - Cancelled due to pandemic

Summer No Agenda BBQ's- June, July August Cancelled due to pandemic (for now)

Ice Cream Social – Aug 7 – Cancelled due to pandemic

Back to School Bash September 5 – modified, a part of the Amani festival on September. Booth to hand out school supplies (estimated \$500 budget). In process, dealing with some county/state requirements (numbers of people in gatherings such as festivals.) Note the date has changed, due to school opening later this year

Neighborhood Block Party October 2, 2020 – Possibly going to happen (first option: to offer to go meals only)