

“The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want” Psalm 23:1 (NRSV)

Since my last monthly report to Consistory, I continue to attend the monthly Carlisle Area Religious Council meeting now convening at First United Church of Christ. Thank you to Property Council for their approval of a meeting space.

In the community, I continue to attend the weekly Drug Treatment Court as an affiliate of the court.

By Zoom, I attend NAMI Support Group sessions biweekly. As a member of the NAMI’s “Planning Team,” I assisted with a variety of projects for NAMI’s first community walk at Soldiers’ and Sailors’ Park on October 8 in Mechanicsburg, PA from 8 am - 3 pm. As a member of NAMI Team, I presently participate in the local NAMI Group Support Meetings in Camp Hill.

I volunteer at the Highmark Caring Place for Grieving Children and Families on Mondays 5:30 pm - 8:00 pm) with the Adult Support Group.

I coordinated with the Bosler Library to bring the GRANDS Family Support Group to meet at the Bosler Library as it is a central location for families to meet monthly on Tuesday(s) from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

My term as Kiwanis-Carlisle Past President ended this past Tuesday, October 11 with the installation of our new President. I remain on the Kiwanis-Carlisle Board as a member. Kiwanis Club meets twice monthly.

In the community beyond Carlisle, I attended Franklin County’s Human Services Day in Chambersburg. Before Covid-19, I attended each year because I learned how their agencies serve the community that assisted me with my community work. I was always welcomed to attend because I shared that I wanted to be familiar with the roles and responsibilities of respective agencies to help me with my role as a community chaplain.

I continue to “be on call” as “supply pastor” whenever needed by Zion - Newburg UCC. I appreciate the opportunity to prepare and preach sermons, “serve” both Communion and Home Communion, visit home bound members, and enjoy fellowship with Zion - Newburg’s congregation.

I remain a member of a small book discussion group studying spirituality written from both fiction and non-fiction literary styles.

I am blessed to serve as “Community Chaplain”. If any questions, please call me on my I-Phone, as I am rarely in my church office.

“He leads me in the right paths for his name’s sake....”

(Psalms 23:3, NRSV)

Chaplain Donna