

## Library Annual Report 2021

Many new books have arrived in the Library. The Guidepost Mystery Series continue to grow thanks to members donating them.

And there are a number of books that I have read that explain the importance of the Black Lives Matter movement.

Fran Gregory, Librarian

## Christian Education Annual Report 2021

I must say this was honestly one of the strangest years ever. In January and February, there were No School School Day events. Games were played and prizes given. Lunch was served, laughs shared. Plans were made for Good Friday and Easter but a Plague of Exodus proportions hit.

In September we gathered outside and recognized our Graduates: Nicole Bevin, Arrianna Given, Jack Valenzza and Caden Contant. They were gifted with a Dairy Queen Cupcake and a Target gift card.

Rally Day was also held outside, flowers were presented to all in attendance.

The last Sunday in September Pandemic Survival bags were handed out. It was great to see everyone.

And I thank God often for Zoom and our ability to stay in touch.

Fran Gregory, Christian Ed Director

## Memorial Gifts Report 2020

During the year 2020 the Memorial Gifts Committee received donations in memory of Connie Cherry and Marilyn Weber. These donations amounted to \$1,545.00. Money was used from the Memorial Gifts Fund to purchase flowers and plants for the outside planters, and to purchase some books for our library in the amount of \$179.72.

The Committee wishes to thank all persons who contributed to the Memorial Gift Fund.

Edith Scott, Chairperson

## Mission and Stewardship Report for 2020

Stewardship – Church Council: because of the inability to fill Boards and Committees, is still functioning in that capacity.

Missions: Because of your generosity and compassion, we have again exceeded our budgeted amounts for Missions, making us a living representation of the love and truth of Jesus Christ.

Unfortunately, because of Covid-19 and not meeting weekly, we only supported 4 of our 5 Special Offerings of the UCC in 2020.

Our Outreach Missions were met to CUE seminaries, Crossroads, Back Bay Missions, Asian Rural and Chapel Hill Homes.

With the “stay at home orders”, we did not work physically at our usual volunteer positions. However, we did financially help Center of Hope, Christian Cupboard, Safer Futures, Habitat for Humanity, Miss Liberty House, Hope Homes, UH Hospital Chaplaincy, UH Hospital Hos[ice, United Christian Ministries KSU, Teen Mother Choices, Haven of Portage County, Salvation Army, and Raven Packs. We also served meals for Loaves and Fishes and contributed to the King Kennedy Community Center Fund Raiser.

In spite of being a small congregation, we do more than most of the larger churches, and we should be proud of the visible leader we have become in our community and beyond because of our hard work and compassion for our fellow man.

The Board thanks you for your generosity and support.

Cheryl Edwards, Chair

## Special Mission Offerings for 2020

The Covid-19 shutdown covered the time when One Great Hour of Sharing and Strengthen the Church special offerings were to be taken. We did take OGHS on November 22. The Christmas Fund was taken by mail. So this year we were 4 for 5.

### Four for Five

One Great Hour of Sharing	\$ 95.00
Strengthen the Church	\$ 0.00
Neighbors in Need	\$ 230.00
Christmas Fund	\$ 140.00
Our Christian World Mission	\$

## Diaconate Report for 2020

This was an unusual year, to say the least. Hopefully, we can get back to some semblance of normal in 2021.

Communion was celebrated in January through March. It was not celebrated in April through August, due to the Covid=19 shut down. We resumed "in person" worship on September 6<sup>th</sup> at the gazebo with communion on Rally Day, September 13<sup>th</sup> and through November. "In person" services were again discontinued for December. However, we did have worship via ZOOM, whether on the computer or telephone, including communion. That worked out very well and was appreciated by all.

Advent was celebrated on ZOOM with the lighting of the Advent candles and music. Those with computers who could sign in or those who could use their phones to participate benefitted.

During the year we lost two of our "50 year" members, Marilyn Weber and Mary Ann Brode as well as Diane Seyler. We did not celebrate our 198<sup>th</sup> anniversary in May due to the Covid-19 shut down. The new "50 year" members were Bill & Pam Mitchell.

Hopefully once the numbers go down enough and vaccine is distributed, we will resume "in person" worship as well as other activities for 2021.

Ellen Armstrong, Chair