

Board of Trustees 2022-2023 Report

Soapstone UMC Leadership Luncheon

August 27, 2023



2022-23 Members and Responsibilities

Staff Liaison: Mitzi Johnson

Chair: Don Keller **Vice-Chair:** Harold Fanning

Class of 2023: Don Keller, Tara Deans, Terry Boylan

Class of 2024: Jeanette Stanley, Jon Tiller, Harold Fanning

Class of 2025: Martha Radulovich, Kelli Braunbach, Franklin Manchester

Cares for physical resources -- buildings and grounds of Norwood property and Chapel-- and legal matters of the church;

Reports annually to Charge Conference about the state of the church's property, equipment, investment, and resources.

Fun Facts

Did you know, our Trustees maintain and repair:

- 2 Buildings
- 11 restrooms
- 18 toilets
- 30 sinks
- 17 HVAC systems



2022-2023 Major Projects

- Replaced the main church sign
- Painted 2 classrooms and 3 restrooms
- Updated electrical service at the chapel
- Resolved issue with 2nd floor HVAC systems.
- Repaired storm damage at chapel \$20K
- Investigated the installation of solar panels. Not structurally reasonable until a new sanctuary roof is installed.
- Conducted energy audit with the help of Interfaith Power & Light.
- Updated septic system
- Approved installation of prayer nook window.

New Church Sign

Our Trustees organized the replacement of our street sign with a durable sign made of composite resin materials that will stand tall and strong for years to come!



Parking Lot Upgrades

Our Trustees helped patch potholes in our Norwood parking lot.



Chapel Walkway Repairs

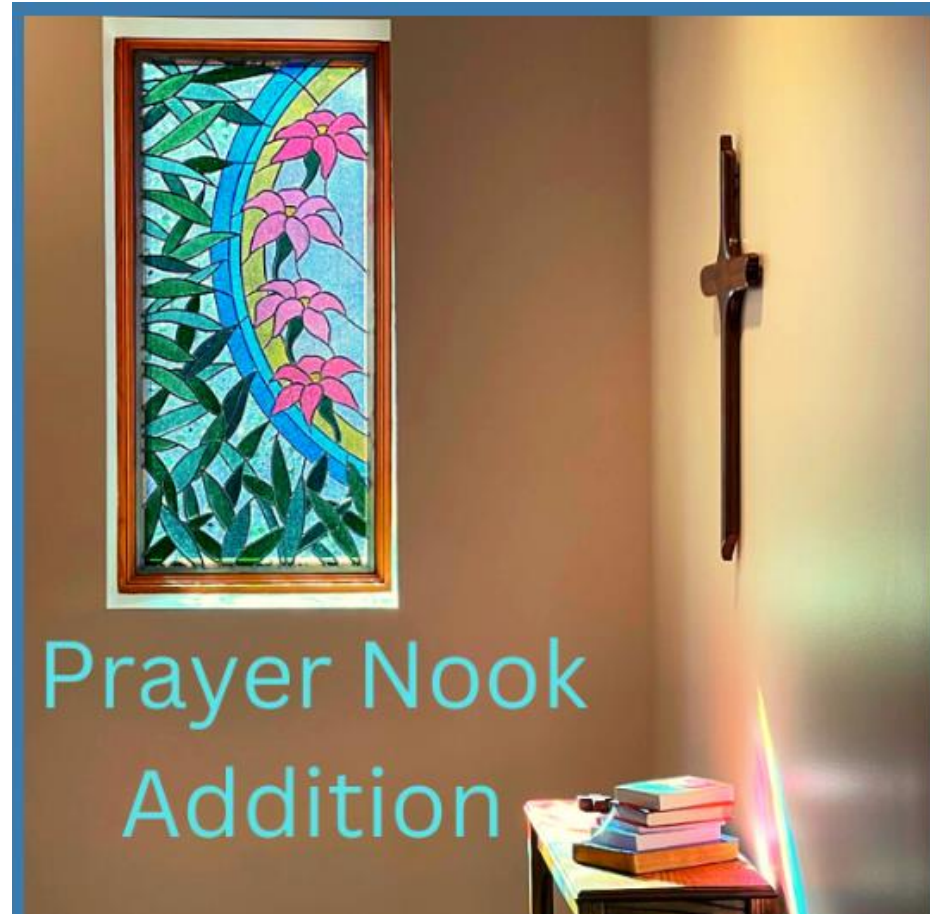
Trustees oversaw the replacement of boards on the walkway at the Chapel so that it can continue to be a safe space where groups can meet and worship.



Prayer Nook Window

Worked with Worship Committee to install a new stained-glass window in the prayer nook.

Made possible by a designated gift, the window honors the legacy of Helen Keller, founder of our prayer shawl ministry.



Energy Audit

We engaged Interfaith Power & Light, a grassroots organization that works directly with religious communities to the climate crisis, to conduct a thorough audit of our energy use. They found SUMC to be very energy-conscious and well-prepared. Their sole recommendation is to update older HVAC systems.



**Interfaith
Power & Light**

Solar Panels?

- We investigated the installation of solar panels, and discovered our sanctuary roof is a great spot for them!
- Due to the limited remaining lifespan of our sanctuary roof installation must be postponed until a new roof is installed.



Thank you, BOOMERS!

Our BOOMERS (Bunch of Ol' Methodists Enjoying Retirement) assist the Trustees with many maintenance projects throughout the year. We are grateful for their expertise and for their service.

