The United Presbyterian Church of Sackets Harbor Annual Report – Fellowship Circle 2020

The Fellowship Circle is made up of all the women of the church and continues to be active in the life of our church, even in what was a very different and difficult year. We normally meet at the church the second Monday of the month at 1:00PM with average attendance of 6 to 8 ladies. Of course, after February 2020, meetings were scheduled when possible and at different locations. Officers are as follows: Moderator, Jane Wilcox, Secretary, Eileen Edwards, and Treasurer, Karen Fields

In February we were discussing renovations of the upstairs bathroom and the Sunday school rooms. Work was put on hold in March but we hope to return to this project in the future. We discussed preparing a "welcome basket" for the new owners of the manse and it was finally delivered in the fall. Patti Stephens was in charge of the "One Great Hour of Sharing" offering to be taken on Palm Sunday. We contributed to the "Self Development of People" cause.

Due to the shutdown of just about everything due to the Covid-19 virus, our next meeting was by Zoom in August. We discussed keeping in touch by cards or phone calls with church members and friends who had not been able to attend church since early March. Church would be reopening on September 13 but would observe all safety precautions. A great deal of cleaning would be necessary and we were willing to help as much as possible. Our yearly yard sale was cancelled for this year.

In August we had an outdoor meeting at the home of Carmen Zumbach. We were pleased that Adele Spencer and Barbara Rose were able to attend. Ladies brought their own lunches, wore masks when appropriate and observed social distancing. A cleaning day for the church was scheduled after worship on September 27th. Routine light cleaning will be done after church services on Sundays. Judy Fiorentino has been sending out "Our Daily Bread" booklets to members of the congregation and will continue to do so.

We did a harvest display for November and organized the hanging of the greens on December 2nd. The sanctuary looked beautiful for our Christmas Eve online service. Some of our ladies participated in the service as readers or singers.

All ladies are invited to join Fellowship Circle for fellowship, worship, service and mission. Hopefully life and church activities will get back to "normal" in the coming year and we can all see each other more often.

Respectfully submitted, Eileen Edwards, Secretary