The United Presbyterian Church of Sackets Harbor Annual Report – Fellowship Circle 2024

The Fellowship Circle is made up of anyone, male or female, who wishes to enrich the life of our church. We meet at the church the second Monday of the month at 1:00PM with average attendance of 8 to 10. Officers are as follows: Moderator, Jane Wilcox, Secretary, Eileen Edwards, and Treasurer, Karen Fields.

Early in the year decided to purchase new dishwasher safe dishes which would help us cut down on paper and plastic waste for Sunday coffee hour and receptions. The Watertown Italian American Club donated dinner plates and bowls and we purchased dessert plates. In April, the kitchen was thoroughly cleaned and organized.

In April, we celebrated the eclipse by selling coffee, "eclipse" cookies, and commemorative postcards with a special cancellation stamp. In May, we provided refreshments for our Sacred Sites Open House and once again supervised a successful yard sale.

In June, we had a reception for the Franzosa family during coffee hour, wishing them all the best in their new home. The second Saturday in June, July and August we showed "kids" movies in Fellowship Hall. This was not too successful so we will reconsider doing it again next summer. Throughout the summer, weather permitting, we sold ice cream at the Sunday "Concerts on the Waterfront." This was very successful and we plan to do so again next summer.

In October, we took part in the "Halloweenville" celebration in the village. Cookie decorating was extremely popular. Our new system of having cookie "kits" prepared ahead of time worked very well. We hope to do this again next year but will consider ways to eliminate some of the plastic waste. A harvest display was in the sanctuary in November. Hanging of the greens was November 24th. We did a "cookie" reception after the Community Chorus concert in December. Thanks to a donation of Christmas mugs, we and the congregation filled them with a number of small items and distributed them to residents of Harbor Heights.

We plan to be an active part of the life of the church in the coming year. All are welcome to participate.

Eileen Edwards, Secretary