Membership Committee Meeting Minutes: April / May 2019

The Membership committee met on Thursday, April 25th and Thursday, May 23rd. The following items were discussed:

1. Welcome bags for visitors are currently in good supply.
2. During the spring cleaning event, a box was discovered containing 11 apparently very old biblical pages (matted & with supporting documentation.) The dates range from the 1200s-1600s. The committee initially felt that we should look into framing these for the congregation to enjoy. However, if authentic, they could be valuable. Additionally, there is a page from the Koran, which we may consider selling and / or donating. The committee feels that having these documents authenticated via a historical document appraiser of biblical scholar would be the appropriate initial step.
3. An ongoing discussion with the committee members is the idea of updating the pastoral portraits on the walls in between the sanctuary and the chapel. As part of this display, the idea was brought forth of designing a timeline to demonstrate major events in the church's life. This would be professionally done, similar to a museum-style display.
4. Membership has been tasked with updating the church's historical records. This has not been done since the 1987-1996 addendum to the 50 year historical book in 1986. The committee will be asking the following long time members for their input on years 1997-present: Ellen Daughtery, Shirley Werner, Dave & Diane Alison, George & Chris Leidy, Edie Willoughby, Art & Jean Schooley and Jan Lonsdale. We will be contacting these members and setting up a meeting to gauge availability and interest in completing this task.
5. Next Membership Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 27th at 3:00 pm.

James C. Gray, Moderator