

**Congregational Church of East Sumner
Annual Meeting Agenda October 22, 2023**

Opening prayer

Call for the Annual Meeting

2022 Annual Meeting minutes

Reports

- Clerk
- President
- Deacons
- Trustees
- Search Committee
- Food Bank

Report of the Nominating Committee and Election of Officers

Deacon's Recommendation to renew the license for Joseph Glass as Lay Leader

Proposed 2024 Budget

Other Business

- Bylaws revision. To remove all references to the UCC.
- Proposed logging of the woodlot and selected trees along the perimeter of the field behind/adjacent to the pavilion.
- T shirt/sweatshirt order
- 2024 Church On-Site Activities (listed on board)

Where did the year go? Reflections.

As of September 30, 2023

23 Full Members

1 Associate Member

1 New Member

1 Marriage

0 Baptisms

0 Dedications

1 Death

Tucker, Morris 11-12-27 to 7-22-23

1 Funeral

Fasano, Lindsey Kate (non-member) 10-26-92 to 9-30-22

President's Report – October 2023

In all that we do we seek to glorify God. Thank you for your support and confidence in accepting me in your pulpit this past year. From my perspective, this has been exceptionally meaningful. I trust that through this year the ministry has glorified God and been helpful to you.

Beyond weekly sermon preps and worship leadership, the year has had a couple of special events. Last Fall I was invited to participate in the graveside service for Lindsay Fasano at the Church St. cemetery in Hartford. As well, Marla Tanous and Will Eshleman asked to be married in the sanctuary and for me to officiate the service. With your license of me I was able to meet with them during the Christmas season for counselling and then officiated at their wedding in August. As well, during the year we received Linda Gray as a new member in January 2023. Regarding weekly worship services, my prayer has been to provide meaningful discussions of the weekly lectionary, reinforced by music and the rest of the order of worship. I think that consistency in the pulpit is important to us and I have endeavored to help provide this.

The worship work of the church is relatively stable. Worship seems to average between 20 and 30. Emily has provided consistent, excellent musical support. Occasional special music with Mike Lance and Cyndy Norton has been good. The special evening services – Thanksgiving Eve, Christmas Eve, Ash Wednesday and Maundy Thursday – have had a decent level of participation. I am prepared to conduct some version of a communicants' class if the need and desire arise.

On a practical basis, we are blessed with a building in good repair. Thanks to those who have helped with cleaning and upkeep. We need to look at the electrical system to ensure it is up to standards/safe and capable of supporting future needs. We have asked for an estimate for the installation of heat pumps for the church building, but that cost may prove too high. In the near term, if warm summers continue and we wish to provide cooling, the cost effective solution would be window units, but those would likely require new electrical circuits in both the sanctuary and Vestry. It is apparent that several of the fluorescent fixtures in the vestry, corner classroom and kitchen are failing and we can expect to have to replace them all over time. At present we have two relatively new fixtures, another two units in boxes ready to install and at least three units in need of immediate replacement. The floor covering in the kitchen and bathrooms is worn, but before we address replacing them we need to consider painting the kitchen. The carpeting in the narthex is worn, particularly on the stairs that have the chair lift. This is not urgent, but something we need to consider for the future.

Offerings and fundraisers have been relatively constant over the past two years. These cover abt 75% of the budget, with income from funds/CDs another abt 20-25%. A concern is this is based on a pastoral compensation level of abt \$36K (Pastor Skip's level). If we increase that to the \$48K voted on last year, then we fall abt \$12K short on an annual basis. I have no insight into how we can address that, except (1) that future need is real and (2) we seem to be at the top end of fund raising. On a good note, we have set aside over \$84K in a pastoral reserve fund since Pastor Skip retired. These funds would allow us some short term flexibility in a pastoral call and that is their purpose. At the same time, they are part (11%) of the financial assets of the church that are reflected in the Treasurer's report.

As we enter a new church year among the challenges we need to address are:

- a. How do we broaden outreach to bring more people into contact with the Gospel? How do we do that to bring others to our congregation to join in either special or regular worship?
- b. A plan for children and youth. This requires both preparation and volunteers to be part of leading/working this.
- c. A plan for visitation. This is a pastor and deacon responsibility, but we need to sort out how we can best know if each other's needs and how we can collectively minister to each other.
- d. A plan for maintenance and improvements. We have relied on half day workdays during the spring and fall. This is enough to get the big stuff done, but more remains. For example, we painted the vestry and vestry entrance during the pandemic, but the sanctuary floor is showing wear and is bare wood in spots. The classroom ceilings peel. These areas need to be prepped, primed and painted. The exterior doors are in need of cleaning/painting.

All that said, my own impression is that the overall work of the church is decent and respectable. We are known as an active congregation, with the fall and spring sales highly visible in the community. The towns of Sumner and Hartford trust us in the management of the food banks. Our finances are in relatively good shape and the building attractive.

In Christ, Bill

DEACONS ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2022-2023

OCTOBER 22, 2023

It seems that our year has kept track with our Maine weather—we never knew what each month would bring. This has been a second year of welcomes and good-byes. We welcomed Jennifer Lance and Darlene Savage as new Deacons at the October 2022 Annual Meeting. Jen accepted the remaining 2 years of Ken Reed's position. Darlene moved back to NC and Polly Chasse took over the remainder of her 3 years.

Due to the absence of a called pastor and with many unforeseen family obligations, most meetings were held by email, but several were held in person.

Deacons have monitored the guest book and send cards to visitors when they sign it.

We sent Christmas cards to the congregation and sent out thinking of you and get well cards, as well as gifts, to congregation and community members.

Birthday cards with \$5 Dunkin' Donut gift cards were given out for attending children's birthdays.

A new banner was made to "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow".

The Deacons assisted with services on Thanksgiving and Christmas Eve and Holy Week, as well as Communion each month. We are thankful to be able to enlist the help of former Deacons Janet Hampton and Ken Reed.

The children and youth take part in worship each week by ringing the bell and lighting the altar candles. Our congregation is blessed with 4-8 children each Sunday ranging in age from 4-14.

The Lisa M. Norton \$250 college scholarship was sent for Zachary Shields. This year's award goes to Matthew Turcotte; he sent a lovely thank you note. He is Jody Trenoweth's great-nephew.

Mission payments from the Church budget: \$500 Korando Educational Centre in Kenya; \$400 One Great Hour of Sharing for the earthquake victims in Syria and Turkey; \$500 CMCC Nursing Program; \$400 Make-A-Wish Maine, Afghan Refugee Family in Maine, Maine Seacoast Mission, and A Christian Ministry in the National Parks; \$100 Our Daily Bread; \$250 Davies Family for the Ukrainian Orphans, Lisa M. Norton Community College Scholarship, and Maine Homeless Veterans Alliance.

In November, \$400 will be sent to Maine Children's Home for Little Wanderers; in December, \$400 will be sent to the Cancer Resource Center in Norway.

Mission offerings from the Congregation: Blankets \$185 and Tools \$43.

The ongoing offering for Responsible Pet Care in Norway of \$180 was sent in August.

The Deacons Fund (which comes entirely from the Congregation's donations) sent \$975 to 5 families to assist with medical expenses, Davies family taking in Ukrainian orphans, and supplies for upcoming art classes.

Although Paula and Cyndy will no longer be active Deacons, they are committed to serving you.

We all pray that we have served you well this past year and have glorified our Lord each week.

Your Diakonos—Servants of the King,

Pauline Chasse, Paula Dobbins, Jennifer Lance, Cynthia Norton

2023 Trustee Report

Physical work at the church has been—

Clean up day - We leveled the parking lot, removed the downed limbs around the perimeter, cleared the back property, split and stacked wood for the beanhole, weed wacked the walls, and hauled the debris to the burn pile, which was burned later in the day.

Linda Glass has maintained the flower beds around the church throughout the year. Steve McGinty has mowed the lawn all summer. Paul Chesley has fixed one of the vestry lights (more to be done), and Bob Perry mowed the field. A 21” lawn mower has been purchased and remains at the church during the lawn mowing season in order to cut the edges closer to the walls.

Chris has repaired the rain gutter and changed the door locks to the church. He also installed the screening in the belfrey.

Respectfully Submitted,
Merriel Perry

PASTORAL SEARCH COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT
CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF EAST SUMNER, NACCC
OCTOBER 22, 2023

The Search Committee met seven times from October 2022 to September 2023 to discuss three candidates with whom we have been in contact and the possibility of hiring a seminary graduate or an under-graduate of a Christian college interested in a dual career/calling.

The candidates were not suitable for our congregation for several reasons—none were actual seminary graduates, one was ordained in Southern Baptist and Evangelical Episcopal churches, all three had no connection to a Congregational church. We did meet one informally and concluded he was not the one for us. We look very carefully at the emails and resumes sent. After reflection and discussion, we go back to our directive from you—we want applicants from Accredited Theology Seminaries or from a Christian college. Our licensed minister, Bill Glass, will serve as mentor; we will **all** be supportive and encouraging to a beginning pastor. The Pastoral Relations Committee will be actively involved.

The Committee has been in contact with the NACCC office for advice and contacts. We had a Zoom meeting in February. Bill Glass has attended 2 college job opportunities sessions and handed out our information.

Good housing is critical if we expect to have someone come here and be our worship leader. We all need to be alert to a possible house or apartment that we would want to offer our pastor.

Fundraisers have reached their 2019 levels, but offerings, while improved since the pandemic began, remain about 10% below that level. We must be able to offer a compensation package that will interest a candidate, hopefully someone either with a second income of their own or from a spouse, and a desire to serve God's children in a beautiful little town as a part-time pastor.

The Committee's recommendation is to continue accruing a pastoral reserve as finances allow and to continue to field inquiries as they come, while actively pursuing a college grad.

If you have a question, please ask one of us.

Submitted in the Lord's name,

Chairman Paul M. Blank, Paula Dobbins, Cynthia Norton, Alternate Christopher Bragg, Council
President Joseph W. Glass

**Congregational Church of East Sumner, NACCC
Officers and Committees 2023 - 2024
Annual Meeting October 22, 2023**

	Current	Nominee
PRESIDENT:	Bill Glass	Bill Glass
VICE-PRESIDENT:	Michael Lance	<i>TBD by Council</i>
CLERK:	Linda Glass	Linda Glass
TREASURER:	Linda Glass	Linda Glass
ASSISTANT TREASURER:	Cynthia Norton	<i>TBD by Council</i>
DEACONS:		
Cynthia Norton	2020 - 2023	Linda Gray 2023 - 2026
Paula Dobbins	2020 - 2023	Sheryl Blank 2023 - 2026
Jennifer Lance	2022 - 2024	
Darlene Savage	2022 - 2025 (resigned)	
Pauline Chasse	2023 - 2025 (replaced Darlene Savage)	
TRUSTEES:		
Christopher Bragg	2020 - 2023	Paul Blank 2023 - 2026
Merriel Perry (resigning)	2021 - 2024	Christopher Bragg 2023-2024
Michael Lance	2022 - 2025	
NOMINATING COMMITTEE:		
	Deacon: Cynthia Norton	<i>TBD by Deacons</i>
	Trustee: Merriel Perry	<i>TBD by Trustees</i>
	Congregational Member: Lori Hand	Lori Hand
PASTORAL RELATIONS:	President: Bill Glass	Bill Glass
(This is a committee created by Council as opposed to a Bylaw committee)	Deacon: Jennifer Lance	<i>TBD by Deacons</i>
	Trustee: Michael Lance	<i>TBD by Trustees</i>
	Congregational Member: Lori Hand	Lori Hand
PASTORAL SEARCH COMMITTEE:	Paul Blank, Cynthia Norton, Paula Dobbins, Chris Bragg, Bill Glass	
(Current and serves until pastoral call is completed)		
(Non-elected Committees)		
DELEGATE TO NACCC MEETINGS:	Bill Glass	<i>TBD by Council</i>
	Cynthia Norton, Alt.	<i>TBD by Council</i>
FOOD BANK:	Lori Hand	Linda Glass
	Merriel Perry	Janet Hampton
		Bill Glass
		Polly Chasse
HOSPITALITY/SPECIAL EVENTS:		
Food:	Rosemary Henderson	
Family Liaison:	Cynthia Norton	
Set-up/Clean-up:	Trustees/Deacons	
Parking:	Ralph Dunn	

Submitted by 2022- 2023 Nominating Committee: Lori Hand, Cynthia Norton, Merriel Perry

2024 Budget

BUDGET ACCOUNT	2021	2022	2023	2023 YTD	2024	23-24	Comments
OPERATIONS	Approved	Approved	Approved	YTD	Proposed		
ORGANIST	4,600.00	4,600.00	5,800.00	3900	5,800.00	0.00	
RELIEF ORGANIST	200.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Dues	750.00	750.00	450.00	375	450.00	0.00	
Supply Preachers	600.00	600.00	600.00	300	600.00	0.00	
Supplies	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	464.96	1,200.00	0.00	
Christian Education	200.00	150.00	150.00	0.00	150.00	0.00	
Registrations	100.00	100.00	100.00	50	100.00	0.00	
Graduates	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	<i>reflects no graduates</i>
Church Activities	200.00	200.00	200.00	0.00	200.00	0.00	
Miscellaneous	400.00	600.00	750.00	144.00	750.00	0.00	
Subtotal:	8,300.00	9,200.00	9,250.00	5,233.96	9,250.00	0.00	
FACILITIES							
Insurance	\$3,600.00	4,000.00	4,300.00	4632	4800	500.00	<i>reflects expected increase in premium</i>
C.M.P	\$750.00	750.00	750.00	270.41	750.00	0.00	<i>Note that food bank account has been paying the majority of CMP costs since fridges/freezers/ac drive this cost. Currently at 75%.</i>
Fuel	\$1,200.00	1,500.00	3,000.00	1394.91	3,200.00	200.00	<i>reflects likely increases in cost of fuel.</i>
Telephone	\$400.00	440.00	440.00	328.05	440.00	0.00	
Repairs & Maintenance	\$1,200.00	8,200.00	1,200.00	342.77	1,200.00	0.00	
Furnishings / Equipment	\$400.00	200.00	200.00	0.00	200.00	0.00	
Pavilion skirting	\$0.00	250.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	project completed
Snowplowing / Mowing	\$1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	895.00	1,200.00	0.00	
Church Roof Escrow	\$3,500.00	5,000.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00	<i>assumes long term fund without immediate needs</i>
Subtotal:	\$12,250.00	\$21,540.00	\$13,590.00	\$10,363.14	\$14,290.00	\$700.00	
Total Pastoral Compen	\$35,749.60	\$35,749.60	\$35,749.60	\$16,560.67	\$40,000.00	\$4,250.40	<i>More reflective of likely future call.</i>
Christian Camp	\$250.00	\$ -	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$ -	0.00	<i>\$2,360.72 in the fiduciary account</i>
Total (w/o missions)	\$ 56,549.60	\$ 66,489.60	\$ 58,589.60	\$ 32,157.77	\$ 63,540.00	4,950.40	
Missions Subtotal:	\$3,249.00	\$3,322.00	\$4,397.00	\$3,100.00	\$4,400.00	3	<i>estimate based on offering trends and expected fundraisers</i>
TOTAL (w/ missions)	\$56,549.60	\$69,811.60	\$62,986.60	\$35,257.77	\$67,940.00	\$4,953.40	
9/30/19 \$ assets	\$607,085.73						
9/30/20 \$ assets	\$653,800.36						
9/30/21 \$ assets	\$751,471.00						
9-30-22 \$ assets	\$712,575.88						
9-30-23 \$ assets	\$748,389.00	<i>Note that this reflects 6/30/23 values for NACCC investments (109,755.33).</i>					
Sumner Food Bank \$ assets as of 9/30/23			\$20,133.05				

		Jan-23	Feb-23	Mar-23	Apr-23	May-23	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	
NUMBERS REFLECT THE BALANCE ON OR ABOUT THE FIRST OF THE MONTH														
	NORTHEAST CHECKING	\$40,149.32							\$31,489.16	\$31,063.80				
	Deposits													
			(\$10,000.00)											
	FOOD BANK ACCOUNT	\$15,937.56												
	PEARL ACCOUNT (NEBA	\$99,513.55	\$210,000.00						\$218,310.86	\$227,976.17				
	interest													
	deposits		\$100,486.45			\$4,779.50				\$7,000.00				
	deposits		\$10,000.00							\$2,139.50				
	WITHDRAWALS													
	NACCC Congregational Investment Trust													
	CIT balance as of 12-31-21	\$8,542.24					\$9,359.16 est		\$9,567.31					
	NACCC CIT Parsonage Fun	\$91,632.93					\$100,396.17 est		\$102,628.88					
	UCC CONSOLIDATED TR	2913.89												
	UCC balance as of 1-1-22	Closed 12-31-22 Balance was 325,071.86 + \$2,913.89 final qtr payout Will reinvest in new CD and new Money Mkt at NE Bank Feb, 2023												
	UCC PARSONAGE TRUST	Closed 9-30-22 Balance was \$94,873.43 Reinvested in NACCC CIT Parsonage Fund												
NORTHEAST BANK														
	636007046	C.D. exp. 12/13/22 (0.3%)					Closed as of 12-20-22-Balance transfer to money mkt 21,366.29							
	655005831	C.D exp. 4-13-26 (0.6%)	\$21,077.72	Closed.Part of new C.D.2329										
	655005830	C.D exp. 4-13-23 (1.0%)	\$12,283.68	Closed.Part of new C.D.2329										
	7521124987	C.D. exp. 2/10/24 (2.96%)	25,060.82									\$0.00		
	7521132311	C.D. exp 2/2/24 (4.25%)		\$227,533.03	\$790.49	\$793.23	\$795.99	\$798.76	\$801.53	\$804.31	\$807.11	\$809.91		
	7521132337	C.D. exp 2/2/24 (4.25%)		\$84,486.17										
	7521132329	C.D. exp 2/2/24 (4.25%)		\$33,180.92										
ANDROSCOGGIN SAVING Bank														
	2500113317	CD exp 7/19/23 @0.25%	\$52,797.32	Closed. Part of new C.D. 2337										
	2500113432	C.D exp 7/19/23 @0.25%	\$31,678.38	Closed. Part of new C.D. 2337										
	Acct #	start date	maturity	interest rate	balance 8-31-23	ytd interest	Balance 9-30-23							
	CDARS	1026834747 NE acct 75211	23-Feb	2/22/2024	2.81	25,583.01	371.52	25,642.17						
	CDARS	1026834755 NE acct 75211	23-Feb	2/22/2024	4.018	33,959.66	702.94	34,072.00						
	CDARS	1026834771 NE acct 75211	23-Feb	2/22/2024	4.018	86,469.03	1,789.86	86,755.08						
	R&T mmkt	5510086126 NE acct 5500024020				218,310.86	3,092.36	\$227,976.17						
	NE checking					\$31,489.16		\$31,063.80						
	<u>NE CD</u>					<u>\$232,317.34</u>	<u>\$4,784.31</u>	\$233,124.45	<i>reflects estimated interest</i>					
	total bank income					628,129.06	10,740.99	638,633.67						
	NACCC parsonage (as of 6/30/23)					\$100,396.17		\$100,396.17						
	NACCC general (as of 6/30/23)					\$9,359.16		\$9,359.16						
	Total all investments and bank income					737,884.39		748,389.00						

Offerings and Fundraisers

	Offering	Deacon	Mission	Mission Name	2021	2022		2020	2019		2013	
Jan-23	\$3,014.00	\$35.00	\$0.00		2,419.00	2,132.00		1,960.00	2,712.00		2,914.00	
Feb-23	\$2,281.00	\$95.00	\$0.00		1,640.00	3,127.00	5,259.00	2,518.00	2,887.00	5,599.00	2,875.35	5,789.35
Mar-23	\$3,274.00	\$25.00	\$500.00		2,238.00	2,553.00	7,812.00	2,408.00	3,435.00	9,034.00	3,185.00	8,974.35
Apr-23	\$2,551.00	\$158.00	\$108.00		2,385.00	2,595.00	10,407.00	2,090.00	2,443.00	11,477.00	2,810.00	11,784.35
May-23	\$2,921.00	\$69.00	\$185.00	BLANKETS	2,133.00	3,007.00	13,414.00	2,310.00	2,456.00	13,933.00	1,815.05	13,599.40
Jun-23	\$2,053.00	\$64.00	\$43.00	CWS TOOLS	2,629.00	2,878.00	16,292.00	2,241.00	3,196.00	17,129.00	3,840.00	17,439.40
Jul-23	\$3,064.00	\$83.00	\$0.00		2,172.00	2,352.00	18,644.00	2,162.00	3,650.00	20,779.00	2,951.00	20,390.40
Aug-23	\$2,205.00	\$25.00	\$0.00		2,876.00	2,516.00	21,160.00	2,491.00	2,400.00	23,179.00	3,072.00	23,462.40
Sep-23	\$2,208.00	\$38.00	\$0.00		1,894.00	1,580.00	22,740.00	2,371.00	2,910.00	26,089.00	3,148.36	26,610.76
Oct-23	\$2,090.00	\$87.00	\$0.00		2,858.10	2,667.00	25,407.00	3,430.10	2,527.00	28,616.00	3,069.50	29,680.26
Nov-23	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		2,171.00	5,127.00	30,534.00	2,447.25	2,683.50	31,299.50	2,318.00	31,998.26
Dec-23	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	christmas fund	1,896.00	2,820.00	33,354.00	2,145.00	2,951.00	34,250.50	3,656.50	35,654.76
			\$0.00	Responsible Pet Care	27,311.10	33,354.00		28,573.35	34,250.50			
TOTAL	\$25,661.00	\$679.00	\$836.00									
	10,057.08				8,279.00	10,616.42	43,970.42	3,920.78	10,811.65	<<<fundraisers		
	\$2,403.00				4,902.45	3,701.50		3,986.27	7,218.50	<< cash offerings. This is not added to		
	\$35,718.08				35,590.10	43,970.42		32,494.13	45,062.15	<<total income		

PROPOSED REVISION TO CCES BYLAWS

ARTICLE FIVE: PASTOR

Section 1. Search

In the event of a Pastoral vacancy, a Search Committee shall be formed, elected by the congregation. A job description shall be developed, stating needs and expectations as well as benefits, salary, etc. If agreeable, ~~the Maine Conference of the U.C.C. and~~ the NACCC shall be consulted and involved in the search. (2021 revision added NACCC)

Section 2. Call

Following interviews and examination, the Search Committee shall present to this Church the name and credentials of the recommended candidate. The candidate will be invited to preach a trial sermon and lead a worship service. At the next regular worship service after the trial sermon, a deliberate and favorable vote of this Church at a duly called congregational meeting shall constitute a call. The record of the call and all relevant information shall then be sent to the candidate, ~~the Oxford-Union Association, and the Maine Conference of the U.C.C~~ and the NACCC. (2021 revision added NACCC)

Section 3. Installation

The ~~minister, having accepted the call, shall, with this~~ Church shall request a service of ~~recognition~~ ~~installation~~ from the ~~Congregational Christian Council of Maine Oxford-Union Association~~. The date of this service shall be announced to this Church, ~~to the Oxford-Union Association, and to the Maine Conference of the U.C.C~~ the ~~Congregational Christian Council of Maine~~ and the NACCC. (2021 revision added NACCC)

ARTICLE SEVEN: ANNUAL AND OTHER CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS

The Annual Meeting of this Church shall be held following Sunday worship on a date set by the Church Council not less than two months prior to the meeting date (2015 revision changed meeting from 4th Tuesday night to October Sunday). At this meeting, the clerk, president, Trustees, Deacons, treasurer, Pastor, and all Church committees shall give reports. The annual budget will be voted on. Elections for the following positions will be held: (1) Officers (president, clerk, and treasurer), (2) Trustees, ~~and~~ (3) Deacons. ~~(4) assistant treasurer, and (5) delegates to meetings of the Maine Conference of the U.C.C. and the Oxford-Union Association.~~

2024 Church On-Site Activities

Winter Fundraiser

Saturday, March 9, 2024 _____

Chicken Pie/Chicken Pot Pie/Dessert Pie
Take-out (Pre-ordered)

Public Suppers

Saturday, July 6, 2024 _____

Beanhole Beans, etc.

Saturday, August 24, 2024 _____

Beanhole Beans, etc.
(Camp and Carve Weekend)

Saturday, May 18, 2024 Annual Spring Sale Coordinator _____ Plant _____

Food Concession _____ Bake _____ Vendors/Crafters _____

Raffle Baskets _____ Raffle Tables _____

Wednesday, July 24, 2024 Annual Cookout Coordinator(s) _____

Saturday, August 10, 2024 Food Bank Benefit Spaghetti Supper Coordinator(s) _____

Raffle Prizes _____ Raffle Master _____

Saturday, September, 21, 2024 Annual Harvest Day & Barn Sale) Coordinator _____

Harvest Products _____ Bake _____ Barn Sale _____

Food Concession _____ Vendors/Crafters _____

Raffle Baskets _____ Raffle Tables _____

Saturday, October 12, 2024 Barn Sale 2.0 (In Pavilion) Coordinator _____

Bake/Jelly Sale (in vestry) _____ 2.0 annex (in vestry) _____

Free Coffee/Pie by the Slice/Chili/Soup? _____

**Dates of Soup and Sandwiches lunches TBD.

Congregational Church of East Sumner Activities/Events
October 2022-September 2023

Where did the year go?

Ongoing: Host and operate the Sumner/Hartford Food Bank; host Western Maine Woodcarvers

October- Yard Sale for leftover Barn Sale items \$472; Annual Meeting—17 attendees

November- Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service

December- Christmas Craft Fair Raffle Table \$1,234

Christmas Eve Worship Service with candles lit as power went out!

January-We welcomed Linda Gray as a new member.

February- Ash Wednesday Worship Service

March- Pie/Cobbler/Jelly Sale \$816 (\$440 in 2022)

April-Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Easter Worship Services; Soup/Sandwich lunch

May-Spring Sale \$4,723.50 (\$3,905.65 in 2022); stone walls cleared of brush, continued with clearing out brushwood behind building, broken tree limbs and standing deadwood.

June-Elected Polly Chasse to fill the remainder of Darlene Savage's Deacon position.

July-Beanhole Bean Supper \$621 (\$572 in 2022)

Community Cookout in Pavilion—huge crowd!

Hosted Hartford Heritage Antique Auto Show

August-Hosted Food Bank Benefit Supper—\$2,030—that's a lot of spaghetti!!

Hosted Camp and Carve Weekend; Beanhole Bean Supper \$855 (\$629 in 2022);

One year anniversary for organist Emily Bilodeau and her family.

Marla Ruth Tanous and William James Eshleman were married in the sanctuary.

September-Fall Sale \$2,294.50 in the midst of Hurricane Lee, pavilion was tarped in and everything else was in the vestry—it was fun (\$2,968.70 in 2022)

Fast forward to Barn Sale 2.0 on October 7 and TS Phillippe —pavilion wrapped in tarps; Bake/Jelly Sale, linens, and Christmas décor in the vestry-another \$1,294.

ZLFL book sale also in the vestry.