

September 8, 2020

To: Congregation Council

From: Stephanie G. Maurer

Director of Communications

Re: Report to Council – August activities

Continuing to work on the **premier issue of** *Trinity Stories* **publication**; the first issue carries the theme of Race and Racism and illustrates that we are not simply publishing the statement approved by Council but that we are also attempting to live that statement. Although it has been more time-consuming than expected or desired, the interviews and stories are almost done. For the section that includes staff members who were able to reach out to a friend or acquaintance of color for a brief reflection, so far I have received submissions from almost all who were asked. (Not everyone on staff knows a person of color to contact and/or is comfortable with doing so.) Overall, I hope to finish up early next week after conducting a final interview this coming Thursday that was set up by Kelly Falck. With printing and mailing to be completed by our mailing house when everything is submitted, **the issue will likely be published and mailed in early October**.

Also this month I have continued to take **construction photos** for the website, worked on **homebound mailings** as needed, developed **banners for re-opening**, continued work on **website**, helped to provide **e-blast** copy, attended **staff meetings**, conducted **interviews**, **contacted various members** to talk them through livestream or FB issues or communication requests or simply reconnection issues, and more.

I had only the very slightest involvement in the re-opening video (by offering a few script suggestions). Please know that the credit for the **outstanding production of this video goes to Danelle Andrews**--camera work, graphics, cutins, editing, all of it. She also created the registration page in addition to everything else that she is working on. Thank you, Danelle.