

## **Building and Grounds Committee Annual Report, 2024**

Members: Geoff Brink, Gregg Krattiger, Rick Duchrow, Farrel Smith, Tom Ludwig, Russ St. Clair, Dave Lemke, Julie Woodward, Randy Zoran, Mike Flaherty.

The Committee responded to the following needs relevant to church maintenance:

- Spring clean-up was performed on Saturday, May 18. Bushes were trimmed, fallen branches removed from the lawn, ground cover planted next to the steeple and native plants placed around the burr oaks (thanks to the Creation Care team), and interior and exterior of windows were cleaned. Coffee, refreshments, and lunch were served (thanks to Colleen Krattiger and Joan Jacobsen). Thanks to the many individuals who provided assistance.
- Lawn mowing was provided by Gregg Krattiger.
- A windphone was placed near the outdoor worship area as requested by Trish Kalhagen (thanks to Rick Duchrow for the box construction).
- A volleyball net was set up as requested by Pastor Bryan.
- Lights over the altar were replaced by Beeline Electric.
- A storm-damaged tree in the outdoor worship area was removed in July by Nick Swenson.
- An increasing number of individuals and groups are using the Fellowship Hall for church sponsored events and events related to the church's mission, which often requires that tables and chairs be set to serve 60-100 individuals.
- White Knight Carpet Rescue cleaned the sanctuary chairs and carpets in the Sanctuary, Fellowship Hall, hallways, and offices (thanks to Julie Woodward for coordinating).
- Lucy Catino continued to provide custodial services.
- A cross-connection inspection was performed as required by Village Code in June by H. J. Pertzborn.
- Fire extinguishers were inspected in June by Madison Extinguisher Services.
- Geoff Brink worked with Colleen Krattiger to place a park bench near the perennial native garden and a plaque in the narthex (funds for both provided by the Denny Blackmore memorial fund) designating the garden as a place for individuals to spread the ashes of the deceased.
- SaLT requested and approved new parking lot lighting. Beeline Electric proposed new fixtures on the existing poles as a first step, with work to be performed in 2025.
- A Christmas tree was placed in the Fellowship Hall and removed after the holidays.

Much of the work listed above was performed by committee members who respond to every request for assistance, but sincerest thanks is extended to committee members who identify and address a need without being asked, and to members of the church family who quickly respond to requests for help.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Geoff Brink, Chair