The Ministry Council coordinates the work of the Ministries of Stewardship, Service, Spiritual Life and Faith Development in carrying out the mission and business of the church. It meets monthly to provide leadership and direction for the continued development of the church, plans the Annual Meeting and Elections, and coordinates other church-wide activities.

Last year at this time our focus was to try to get the congregation more involved with leadership and continued development of the church. We planned and held a Leap Into Leadership Event in March which brought many ideas to the forefront for consideration. We began some follow-up on those ideas - and then the Covid issue! I don't need to tell you how that has changed our lives in so many ways. We've missed person to person contact, had to learn how to Zoom, had to relook at current goals. Right now, one of our biggest issues is how to get back to physical worship inside as the cold weather is upon us. And to keep our kids and adults safe, as we see to their needs, religious and otherwise.

That being said, we have a wonderful church family. You have hung in there, kept the faith, are working through this pandemic and its hurdles, and I am so proud of you. You all have been great about keeping up your pledges and contributions, and I thank you. Because of all the new technology we've needed to make in person and online services effective, we are hoping that you will continue your pledges for 2021 and prayerfully consider increasing them, if possible. We have to get through this, and we look forward to having a big celebration when the threat is over! All the Ministries need extra help. If you read all the narrative budgets you will see how they are going above and beyond to keep things working. Adding one additional contribution of your Time and Talent can make a big difference.

Thank you, and I look forward to a happier and healthier 2021 for CUCNM!

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