



# Welcome

Congregational Meeting

February 16, 2020

The First Unitarian Congregational Society in Brooklyn

is a joyful, loving, religious community

that inspires and empowers people to

Grow spiritually, Care for one another, and

Work for social justice and stewardship of the earth. - May 17, 2015

# Call to Order & Declaration of Quorum

AMIT LUCIA MEHTA, MODERATOR

# Chalice Lighting & Opening Words

ETHAN LOEWI, INTERN MINISTER

# Review of Right Relations Covenant & Meeting Rules

AMIT LUCIA MEHTA, MODERATOR

# Appointment of Timekeeper and Parliamentarian

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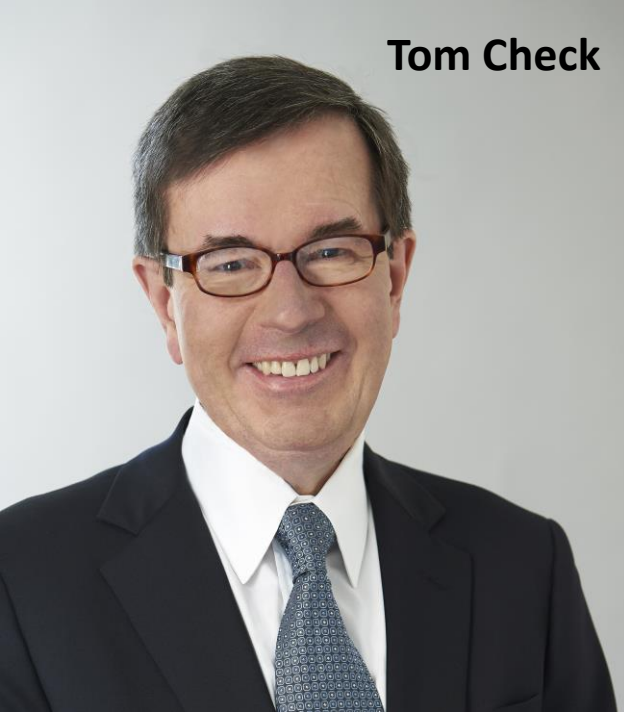
# Review of Agenda

- 1:10PM: LDC Report/Election of Delegates
- 1:20PM: Motion to Affirm 2019 GA Social Justice Statements
- 1:30PM: Proposal for Remembrance Project
- 1:40PM: Treasurer's Report/Budget Update
- 1:50PM: Presidents' Report
- 2:15PM: Adjournment

# Leadership Development Committee Report

CATALINA BERTANI, CO-CHAIR,  
LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

**Tom Check**



**Laura Manos-Hey**



**Garnett Losak**



**Abby Grosslein**



**Lee Pardee**



MOVE TO  
APPROVE THE  
SLATE OF  
NOMINEES FOR  
DELEGATES TO  
THE 2020 UUA  
GENERAL  
ASSEMBLY IN  
PROVIDENCE, RI  
AS SELECTED BY  
THE LEADERSHIP  
DEVELOPMENT  
COMMITTEE

# Election of 2020 General Assembly Delegates

# 2019 General Assembly Report

AMIT MEHTA

2019 GENERAL ASSEMBLY DELEGATE

Build the Movement for a Green New Deal

Support Our First Amendment Right to Boycott  
on behalf of Palestinian Rights

Protect the Rights of Immigrants and Asylum  
Seekers

**Our Democracy Uncorrupted**  
2019 Statement of Conscience, Religious &  
Civil Liberties, Voting Rights, UUA Governance  
& Management

MOTION TO  
AFFIRM 2019  
GENERAL  
ASSEMBLY  
SOCIAL JUSTICE  
STATEMENTS

# Proposal for Beloved Community Project

GARNETT LOSAK,  
DIRECTOR OF CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

MOVE TO NAME  
SIDE AISLE  
CHAPEL,  
CURRENTLY  
KNOWN AS THE  
PEACE CHAPEL, TO  
CHAPEL OF THE  
BELOVED  
COMMUNITY THAT  
WILL HOUSE A  
“MEMORY BOOK”  
TO HONOR  
MEMBERS WHO  
HAVE PASSED

## Motion to Create Chapel of the Beloved Community

# Budget Update

LAKE WISE, TREASURER

Fiscal Year  
2019-20  
Snapshot (as  
of January 31,  
2020)

- ④ Revenues and operating expenses projected to be on budget
- ④ Accessibility projects funded
- ④ Strong response to mid-year appeal for upgraded sound system (\$16,000+)
- ④ Endowment balance increased, even after accessibility expense and scheduled draw for operating costs
- ④ Bequests expected, including from John Pritchard, to add to endowment
- ④ Capital fund to be established July 1, per Congregational resolution

# Presidents' Report

SAM MCKELVIE & DAWN ELANE REED,  
CO-PRESIDENTS, BOARD OF TRUSTEES



# Accessibility Report

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# Accessibility Report

## Sanctuary Accessibility Lift is installed

- Tweaking is ongoing
- Used by members and friends of the congregation
- Used by renters

# Accessibility Report

## Phase II – Accessibility Lift from Chapel to Undercroft

- Funded by \$15,000 gift from an anonymous donor
- All construction work done in-house
- Allows for Bathroom access
- Increases value of Chapel
- Estimated completion – late spring 2020

# Accessibility Report

Phase III – Renovate all-genders/wheelchair bathroom for ADA compliance

- Grab Bars
- ADA Toilet & Sink

# FY20-21 Budget Process

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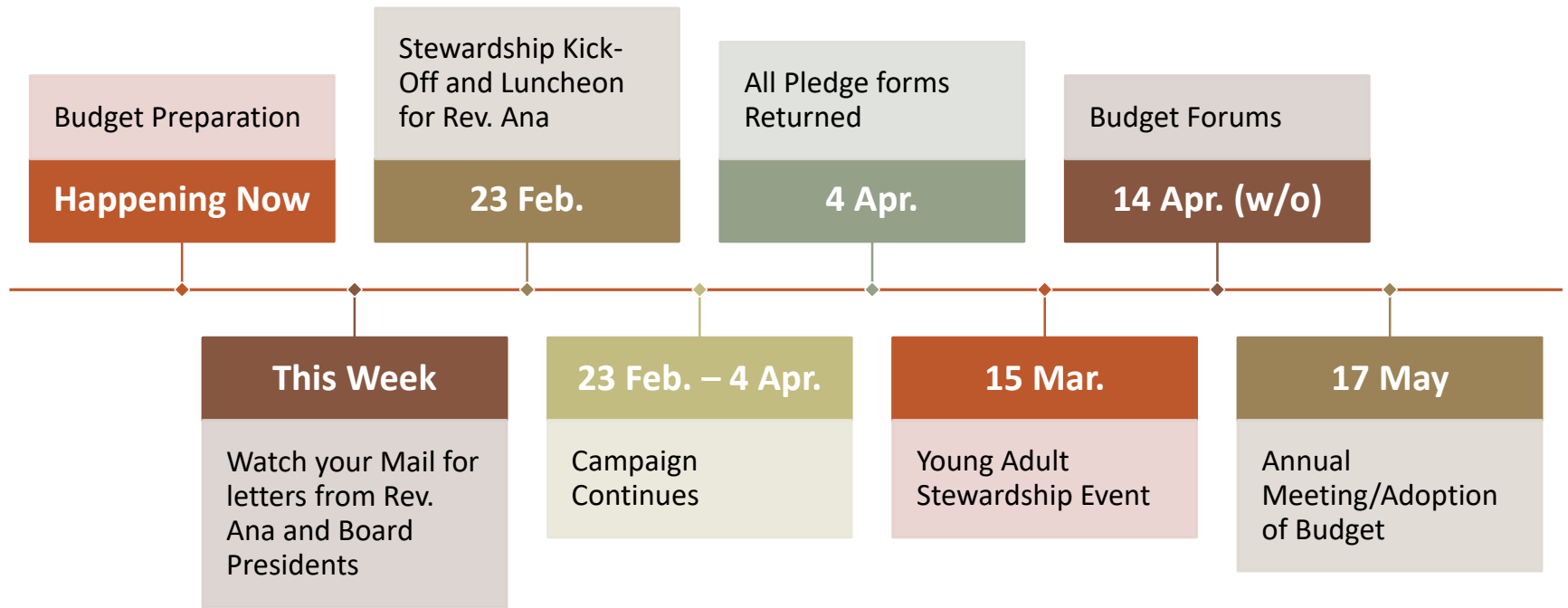
# Budget Process

Budget preparations have begun

- Staff has submitted initial requests and met with their board liaisons
- Finance Committee has completed initial review of requests
- Next week: FC will meet with individual staff members for Q & A
- April: Two Budget forums, one on Sunday, one by zoom
- May: Final Budget created
- Annual Meeting: Budget presented to congregation for vote.

# FY20-21 Stewardship Preview

SAM MCKELVIE & DAWN ELANE REED,  
CO-PRESIDENTS, BOARD OF TRUSTEES



# Stewardship Timeline



On Sunday,  
March 1st we will  
welcome Rev.  
Michael J.  
Crumpler as our  
Sabbatical  
Minister.





# We're Adjourned!

## Mark Your Calendars:

February 23<sup>rd</sup> – Stewardship Kick-Off

March 1<sup>st</sup> – Welcome Sabbatical Minister, Rev. Michael J. Crumpler

March 28<sup>th</sup> – Annual Haiti Reforestation Dinner/Dance

April 4<sup>th</sup> – Spring Auction

May 9<sup>th</sup> – Beatles Sing-Along

May 17<sup>th</sup> – Annual Meeting