

Committee On Ministry
Report for 2020

Our committee thanks Meredith Hutchison and Joseph Hedden for leading a special series of Discernment Events at Antiochan Village for those who recently completed the P.W.C. Academy for Ministry and others who are trying to discern their future in terms of possible ministry.

The Pastoral Ethics Program/Continuing Education is continuing and is better received and attended with less resistance. This year's programming is upon us as of this writing; it will be on Social Media and held by way of Social Media! That is coincidental simply because of the current pandemic. And we are having a greater success and response with our Informational Reviews since we combined them with the Ethics Training.

All six associations have agreed to join the Unified Fitness Review Process, and the team is organized and trained as of now.

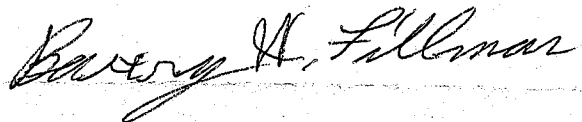
David Ackerman is updating the Minister's Files to make them all complete and to meet MESA specs. David is also working hard by way of personal visits and follow-up communications with several Schedule 1 & 2 churches -- ones that never-voted to join the U.C.C. at the merger and don't really know if they are or not a part of the U.C.C.

We had four students audit the U.C.C. History and Polity course of the Lay Academy Program.

Along with everyone and every other organization, we are having to make some significant adjustments to our plans and our way of thinking because of the current health pandemic and that has created extra work for all of us but especially for our "brave and fearless" leader, David Ackerman!

And again, on behalf of the entire committee (and I did not need a vote on this), we wish to thank David for his devoted and dedicated and endless guidance and leadership this year and especially through these troubling and confusing times. God Bless you, David!

Sincerely,



Barry W. Fillman
Chair of Comm.