

Recent History Highlights

- 1996-2017- FCCV became a Teaching Parish under the auspices of Andover-Newton Seminary, supporting eleven students as they completed their ministerial studies and moved toward ordination.
- 2008- Dedicated, after several years of planning and development, a Memorial Garden on church grounds.
- 2013- Called our first female Senior Pastor.
- 2017- Became an Open and Affirming Church as designated by the UCC.
- 2018- Completed a Capital Campaign which raised over \$800,000 allowing us to make needed repairs to the building and allocate \$60,000 for mission projects.
- 2019- Voted to restructure the governance of our church to make it more streamlined and efficient in keeping with lifestyles prevalent in today's society.
- Current and ongoing- We are working to further outreach into our local community in innovative ways such as:
 - Partnership with My Sister's Place to provide relief from the burden of security deposits for low-income families seeking rental space.
 - Hosting Vernon Town Brunch which invites anyone who lives in town for food, fun, fellowship, and opportunities to connect with local services.
 - Providing food and other aid to local food pantries and shelters, including a Saturday lunch each month at Cornerstone.

