



Toss It In! Recycling Stations in Place at First UMC

Our Green Team established five recycling centers in our building this week. Over the next month, we'll monitor the collection bins and assess the program's use and feasibility.

The notion is that we need to do a better job of collecting the recyclables used in our building: empty aluminum cans and

plastic bottles from meeting rooms, used but clean paper from offices and events, glass jars and bottles, and cardboard.

The gray bins are neat and tidy, marked with signs and located near the trash cans (also now marked with signs) in our Fellowship Hall, Narthex, Youth Lair, Herbert Parlor and AA meeting room.

It's difficult to know how much we'll collect from the events held in our church each week, so we are doing a trial run in December – knowing that First Church will host many meetings, concerts, holiday gatherings and worship services during the month.

Green Team members will monitor the bins throughout each week, sorting the recyclables where necessary and transporting them to local collection centers.

Early in January, we'll meet and discuss next steps. We're looking for your feedback – and help – too. If you have comments, suggestions or a few hours to spare helping with the program, email Carole Addis at cjeanaddis51@gmail.com or Sherry Devlin at sherrydevlin@gmail.com.

In the meantime, please use the bins whenever you're at an event in our building this month. It's one more way we can do the right thing for our planet.