PROPOSAL TO PARISH COUNCIL FOR PERMISSION TO USE BASEMENT FOR ART ACTIVITIES. August 2017

One or two people in the congregation have expressed interest in getting together to share in some art activities.

If the main basement area is available for one morning, afternoon or evening a week, (when not being used for the usual outreach activities), the group would like to make use of this space. It is acknowledged that the area is not ideal - as it is not conducive to accessibility. But there is no other space on the church property that is suitable for the activity envisaged.

Although it is expected that each participant would bring their own projects and materials for each session, it would also be useful to have the possibility of storing a couple of plastic storage bins for books or other materials that are more difficult to transport for every session.

The group would limit activities to those that allow for easy, safe cleanup, such as drawing, watercolour, acrylic painting and basic monotype printmaking.

The initial sessions might be limited to those members of the congregation that show interest, and a notice would be placed in the bulletin for several weeks to gather interest. If successful the session could be opened up to others - with a limit on numbers of course - but especially as an outreach project e.g. for food bank users.

The idea is to share a love of art, and the encouragement of art as a spiritual, contemplative practice.