



# The Hamilton Beacon

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## WE ARE NOW ON OUR FOURTH DUMPSTER!

Yep! The fourth Dumpster. Cleaning out Westminster Hall is a tough slog.



Great thanks to those who have hung in Saturday by Saturday to continue the work. We are indebted to both members and the guys from SplashHoops. (Where would we be without their muscle and energy?)



Once Westminster Hall is cleared, we can more easily assess the situation and see what needs to be done.

Please remain in prayer for this whole operation as we prepare Westminster Hall for the future.

## PROGRESS ON OUR PROJECTS



HERE IS THE SCORE:

1. The Entry Hall outside the Office/Restroom/Kitchen area has been refurbished.
2. The Westminster Hall East Side double garage doors have been strengthened. When the weather is cooler, they will be scraped and painted.
3. The Men's Restroom has been completely gutted, the disintegrating walls and ceiling have been removed. It will become a unisex handicapped restroom which will be completed after the Tower and Sanctuary roof has been repaired.
4. Repairing the Tower and Sanctuary Roof is to begin in the first weeks of September.
5. We move now to the Sanctuary front doors on Harford Road. Can you help scrape these doors so they can be renewed, primed, and repainted?
6. Painting the Sanctuary walls is next.

### HOW MUCH CAN GET DONE?

As of the middle of August, we have \$51,082.00 in our Maintenance Fund to support these projects. When Tithes and Offerings do not match our operating expenses, we reluctantly turn to Maintenance to make up the negative balance.

# COMMENTS ON GLUE FROM JACK

will not happen without you and your support.

At this point in our congregation's life, the U. S. Postal Service is the glue that holds us together, just as it holds together our nation. I know there is internet, email and all manner of electronic jazz, but much of that technology is beyond what we know and can use. And some electronics simple do not fit.

I was reading a news article: 3,000 baby chicks, delivered late will not be delivered alive. And they can't come by email.

The Beacon is mailed to you on Monday. Rita and some very great volunteers get news to you, as well as the Resources and Reflection page. Our glue attempts take a while to arrive. While mailed on Monday, my copy does not arrive until Thursday.

It's the same situation sending out Information, agendas, and whatever, to the Session/Trustees. Sometimes we resort to hand delivery so they have the information they need to lead this congregation.

I see this as a critical time in the life of our congregation. Frankly, I want you to know it all. Your participation helps us to remain alive and vital.

The day will come when we will be back together again - physically! - We want to be ready for that time.

We want to welcome in the neighborhood to a church building that gives us great pride. But this transformation

