

First Parish Hingham (Old Ship)
Hingham MA

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Dear Louise and the First Parish community of Old Ship,

Congratulations!



On behalf of the Green Sanctuary review team I am delighted to deliver the news that your application for reaccreditation has been affirmed as well-done and even exemplary! You have officially received Green Sanctuary Reaccreditation status.



In every area of your work the review team saw strong leadership, creative engagement and beautiful dedication.

Your team's commitment to "connect the rest of the congregation" in the work of environmental sustainability and justice seemed to yield enthusiasm and we believe, long term engagement. Especially notable were your connections with the FRRACS neighborhoods and leadership, and your efforts to amplify and fulfill with them the many strategies laid out.

We understand the difficult issues involved in moving toward net zero with an historic building! Your work in this arena also reflects clear intention and planning.

Please take time to celebrate your excellent work. Environmental and climate sustainability and justice will demand our attention for a long time to come, and we all need to take care of ourselves and each other.

With deep gratitude and in faithful collaboration for All Earth,

Karen Brammer
Rev Karen Brammer, UUA Green Sanctuary Manager