Heat/Air Conditioning/Domestic Hot Water

1. Is your boiler or furnace 95%+ efficient?
2. Is your hot water heater 90%+ efficient? On-demand? In-direct fired?
3. Is your air conditioning SEER 14+?
4. Do you have “smart” programmable thermostats?
5. Are heat/AC ducts and pipes insulated?
6. Do you have lo-flo showerheads? aerators in sink faucets?

Electricity

1. Do all your fixtures have LED bulbs?
2. Is your lighting dimmable?
3. Do you have appropriate artificial light levels?
4. Do you have vacancy sensing switches in appropriate spaces?
5. Are all your appliances, office equipment, audio/visual equipment Energy Star “top” rated?
6. Have you evaluated your HOW for solar panels?

LET’S PLAY….

24 QUESTIONS

Building Envelope

1. Have you created heating/cooling zones that match use patterns?
2. Are thermostats set to temperature compatible with use and time?
3. Do you keep doors closed between heating/cooling zones?
4. Have you sealed areas of air infiltration?
5. Are your walls, ceilings, floors insulated?
6. Do you have high efficiency windows? interior storms? sun screens?

Behavior

1. Do you track your utility use and cost monthly?
2. Have you created energy awareness among staff and the congregation?
3. Do you have a designated “energy manager”?
4. Do you have an environmental stewardship team?
5. Do you know and minimize your Carbon Footprint (CF)?
6. Have you created a budget line for energy efficiency investments?

YES is the right answer for effective Environmental Stewardship.

Don’t Know or NO is a prompt to start the journey of faith, for these everyday actions.

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