

W&M MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, March 19, 2024

ATTENDEES: Pastor Fred, Gordon S., Sheri S., Kevin S., Jessie A., Carol S., Julie S., Joan Y., Lynn S.

EXCUSED: David B., Sandy S.

1. OPENING DEVOTION – Pastor Fred

Talked about how there is usually a series of readings from Acts for the season of Lent, but Pastor didn't follow these this year. Instead, Pastor looked at Isaiah that talks about "God wiping away the tears from my face. Scary to think God is so big but endearing, that he would be there to wipe away my tears! God is so powerful yet tender enough to be there for us as well."

2. DISCUSSION

- a. Minutes correction: Liturgy will be setting 2 until Pentecost on May 19, not March 17.
- b. YouTube Worship service: Pastor spoke with Katie regarding txt on screen. Heard from numerous people that they don't like that the hymns posted are blocking the view of the service. Going forward, Katie will only put music for liturgy, not for hymns. Will put words of hymns across bottom of screen. Will make it so people can see the congregation and feel more a part of the service.

3. UPCOMING SERVICES

Holy Week:

- a. Palm Sunday – Brass Quartet/Desert Décor (cacti to be removed after service, leaving stone underlay for Easter plants.
Palms purchased and will be stripped on Thursday, March 28 at 1pm
- b. Maundy Thursday – Foot washing & Eucharist
- c. Good Friday – *Seven Last Words* w/choir + guest singers
- d. Easter Sunday – Brass quartet; bells for congregation to ring while shouting "alleluia"
Bells acquired for Easter. "Jingle bells on straps, like sleigh bells"

*Enough money in musician fund to pay guest musicians! Substantial donation received in February to help cover the cost.

4. COVERAGE

- a. Pastor will be out of town: In Pittsburg on Sunday, April 7. Rev. Jaye Newbold will be presiding. (former associate Pastor at Redeemer Lutheran)
- b. Gordon Snyder will be out of town: Plans to be in Europe on a river cruise at the time of the next scheduled W&M meeting – April 16. Need moderator coverage for meeting. Sheri S and Kevin S will share coverage. Gordon will put agenda together and send to Sheri and Kevin.
- c. Energizer: Pastor Fred out of town. Rev. Scott Schantzenbach presiding.

5. WORSHIP SERVICE CONTENT

- a. Hymn selection for May: Julie S. and Lynn S.
- b. Liturgy: Setting 2 until Pentecost, May 19.
Setting 1 at start of Pentecost. Probably good to use 2 settings in Pentecost, long season. Possibly Detroit Folk Mass at end of summer?
- c. Summer Dinner Church: Place on agenda to discuss at next meeting.

6. ROUND TABLE

Jessie: Would like to see someone at door on Sunday morning to help people who need assistance get across the street and into church.

Discussion: Feel congregation does help each other out as needed. Years ago it was a much different congregation. We have an older congregation now with everyone needing some assistance. Difficult to find person to fill this role, but if Pastor hears of someone who would like to do this, he will keep it in mind. Until then, we will all try to look out for each other.

Julie: piano in sanctuary will be tuned on March 20.

Gordon: Away April 8 – 18. On River cruise with group sponsored by Smithsonian Institution. Will be in Amsterdam, hopefully when the tulips are out.

CLOSING PRAYER – Pastor Fred and all – Lord’s Prayer in unison

NEXT MEETINGS: APRIL 16 @ 7:00pm via Zoom

MAY 21 @ 7:00PM via Zoom