W&M MEETING MINUTES Tuesday September 19, 2023

1. ATTENDANCE: Judy M., Sheri S., Kevin S., David B., Julie S., Pastor Fred, Lynn S.

Excused: Joan Y., Sandy S., Jessie A

2. REVIEW OF OLD BUSINESS

- a. Worship Technology Training update:
 - > Ordered two more sets of hearing aid assistive devices for worship.
 - > W&M Website updated; Health Ministry and COVID updates for website in the works.
- b. <u>Liturgical Décor Update:</u> Flowers in planters look sad. Kevin will reach out to Gordon.
- c. <u>Joint Lutheran Reformation and Advent</u>: Still discussing possible ideas with Prince of Peace and Saint Andrews. Prince of Peace more interested, although Pastor Psomi still recovering from major surgery.
- d. <u>Dinner Church</u>: Will continue once a month on 1st Thursday of each month. Next one will be October 5 at Table 42 in Dover.
- e. Fall: Advent and Christmas Dates:
 - i. 11/5 All Saint Dedicate Memorials
 - ii. 11/26 Christ the King
 - iii. 12/3 First Advent (also annual meeting)
 - iv. 12/10 Second Advent this would be a potential day to do something with another congregation??
 - v. SUNDAY 12/24 = Fourth Advent AND Christmas Eve Survey to set time for Christmas Eve service. No need for more than one service. Decided 7pm or 9pm?
 - vi. Monday 12/25 Christmas Day one service at 9:30 am
 - vii. Sunday 12/31 Lessons and Carols; Pastor away
- f. <u>Christmas decorations</u>: Kevin will investigate the candelabras he likes to see if we could use them. Further thoughts needed!
- g. <u>First Impressions Tour:</u> Cracked tiles in entrance were approved for replacement. As of meeting no date decided yet. As of the minutes being typed all done and they look great!

3. FEEDBACK FROM RECENT SUNDAY SERVICES

a. Great feedback about special music. Much praise regarding Austin as well as guitar and flute duo.

4. OTHER RECURRING BUSINESS

a. Hymn Selection: November – Sheri; December – Julie and Lynn; January – David.

5. NEW BUSINESS

a. <u>Request for Thanksgiving Eve service:</u> Came from Gordon's partner, Jacqueline. Discussed and much interest in trying. It would be <u>November 22 (Wed eve)at 7pm, with live stream on You Tube</u>. "Service of Gratitude" Suggested an Agape choir from various congregations. Would like other congregations to join us.

Possible invites to: St John's Episcopal, Dover; First Presbyterian, Dover; Methodists, Dover; St Andrews Lutheran, Parsippany; Prince of Peace Lutheran, Denville; Holy Trinity Lutheran, Rockaway; Abiding Peace Lutheran, Budd Lake.

6. ROUND TABLE

Julie: - Problem with lack of full power on organ during Tyler Scerbo's funeral service. Peragallo came in and determined it was a power surge. Turned off breaker and turned back on and it fixed the problem.

- Piano tuning scheduled for 11/29 so it will be ready for the holidays.

Next meeting: October 17 @7pm via Zoom