

Worship and Music Committee  
Meeting Notes  
April 10, 2024

Attending: Pastor Sue Ruggles, Janet Filchner, Marily Keenly, Bruce Schnabel, Annette Frazza, Trish Claypoole, Kim Belletti, Karen Koplin, Linda Mery, David Ziegler

#### Summer Schedule

- The musical will be performed at both services on June 2, 2024 - we will begin one service at 9am on Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup> and will go back to two services per Sunday on September 8<sup>th</sup>.

#### Blessing of Offering

- It was mentioned that some members felt that people are missing that the offering is being brought up by the ushers and accepted by the pastor, even though a prayer is being said and an offertory song has been added.
- We will add a printed prayer in the bulletin for all to say to “highlight” the offering more.

#### Christmas Candle Inventory

- A group of members has inventoried the red frill candles for Christmas Eve and has reported we do not need to order additional candles for 2024.

#### Sundays and Seasons and other licenses

- Our license for Sundays and Seasons is due to renew on June 1. This resource is used primarily for prayers and hymns for Sunday services. The subscription price is based on average Sunday attendance. Dave also indicated we needed a subscription to One License to continue streaming services.
- After a lengthy discussion about whether these licenses will cover all our needs, i.e. specifically to cover the license needed for hymns, it was decided that more research needs to be done on what we need. Pastor Sue and Dave will continue the discussion so a decision can be made by the end of May.

#### Production of large print hymns for Sunday services

- Dave reported that he worked with two members of the congregation to find a format that works. He indicated that it takes about 10 minutes to use the Word template to generate the book using Sundays and Seasons.
- He indicated that he would speak to Jen and show her how to generate these booklets.
- It was also suggested that the booklets be turned into a loose-leaf notebook. This will provide a library of hymns that can be pulled and put in the notebook when hymns are repeated – it will save work and paper.

#### Facebook – creating events

- Dave told the committee that we need to set up an event every week to live stream the services. He would like to find another volunteer, someone who is accountable to handle this.
- This led to a conversation about AV in general – we need to generate additional volunteers if we are going to continue with this.
- Ginny Smith was just recently trained on this – could we ask her to do a temple talk about this?

- Pastor Sue offered to write a newsletter article about technology and the issues that need to be addressed.
- It was suggested to ask Council members to volunteer to see what it is like to do the AV for a service.
- It was also requested to find a volunteer to moderate the FB page during services so if people chat, the person can direct them on where to find information and answer any questions – it was suggested that we specifically ask a few people to do this.

#### Children reading lessons

- Annette was asked by a congregation member to ask the committee whether it is appropriate to have a child read the lessons during a Sunday service.
- The Worship and Music committee agreed that it is appropriate if a child was prepared to do the reading – practiced before service, etc.

#### Worship Calendar Highlights

- April 14<sup>th</sup> – 1<sup>st</sup> Communion
- May 2<sup>nd</sup> – National Day of Prayer with service
- May 5<sup>th</sup> – Cinco de Mayo – Stewardship Committee will be doing Volunteer Recognition
- May 19<sup>th</sup> – Pentecost – Confirmation – 10:30 service
- June 2<sup>nd</sup> – Musical – both services
- June 9<sup>th</sup> – start summer schedule – one service at 9am
- September 8<sup>th</sup> – return to normal schedule – 8am and 10:30am services

Next meeting: August 21 at 7pm