

## WORSHIP TEAM MINUTES

**NOTE: Discussion in GREEN, Action Items in RED**

|                     |                    |        |
|---------------------|--------------------|--------|
| Date: 11/29/21 @7pm | Location: GEPC     |        |
|                     |                    |        |
| Ritchey Cable +     | Jeff Van Der Weele | Bill L |
| Chuck Leedle +      | Mike Brink +       | GUESTS |
| Ellie McGinty +     | Sarah Sporrer +    |        |

### Agenda

|   |
|---|
| I. Opening Prayer- <b>Chuck</b>   |
| II. Additions and Approval-Tonight's Agenda -no additions, approved<br>Corrections and Approval-11/1/21 Meeting Minutes-approved  |
| III. Devotional Time- <b>Ellie at next meeting</b>  |
| IV. Reports from Session and Pastor-Budget is turned in, giving higher in October than November and year end not determined yet; 2022 Budget will be set soon; the New Members class was large and engaged and many will be joining the church; that is encouraging news for the church future; December is typically a good month for giving. Mike asked how the New Members class participants found GEPC and watching virtually was a positive early commitment. 15-20% of former 'in-person' attendees are still virtual. |
| V. Reports from Worship Leaders:<br>A. Chuck-Media Team continuing to improve. He wants new sound equipment installed very soon. When a new sound station is installed in the back of the sanctuary, 2 pews will need to be removed which could impact the carpet. Discussion was held about the availability of Steve W and Dave S to build the new sound station and it was recommended <b>Chris S be</b>   |

**asked to team up with Bill L to get the drawings and dimensions submitted by Dec. 6, before this build team is no longer available.**

B. Ellie-2 more Renewal Conversations this semester and then the Relationship Team will determine 2<sup>nd</sup> semester plan and schedule. The 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent went well with each praise team member taking part.

**Pastor Ritchey recommended incorporating young professionals into the Advent program on a remaining Sunday.** She is having some slight technical issues with the equipment. She is going to invite praise team members to their home for fellowship and team-building time.

#### VI. Follow-Up Business and Action Items from previous meeting

- A. Apostles Creed schedule-Jeff V (requested additional discussion from last month)-Pastor Ritchey approves of reciting the Apostles Creed every 6 weeks and believes there is value in memorizing it for young people. **Ellie will come up with a schedule**
- B. Christmas Eve services, final arrangements-Pastor Ritchey  
Discussion was held; details are in place.
- C. Moving of sanctuary equipment-Bill L No Discussion
- D. Steve W and Dave S can build a new Sanctuary sound cabinet if they get the specs within the next 2 weeks; Bill has provided a rough sketch but there will need to be more specifics-Pastor Ritchey and Bill**
- E. Adding music to words on screen when introducing new songs 2<sup>nd</sup> service, request from Mike B-Ellie Discussion was held and Ellie will experiment with this process**
- F. Old sound equipment to be sold-Bill L No Discussion
- G. Follow-up to Linda Reeve email 11/15/21 on FirstTeam Advent activities help, Chuck has responded; any other responses needed?  
Chuck and Ellie have responded

#### VII. Current and New Business Items

##### A. Worship Services



1. Communion-need a replacement for Jeff to do shut-in communion  
Discussion was held, 3 replacement persons are being considered
2. Baptism

#### B. Stewardship-

1. Good to put context around announcement for congregation-Pastor Ritchey from 10/13/21 (carryover, not discussed at last meeting)  
Pastor Ritchey emphasized he wants speakers to tell WHY they are speaking. **Ellie will work on a "template guideline" for speakers to help them be clear and concise when giving a presentation to the congregation.** Also, he noted calls will be made to members who have pledged in years past but not this year.

#### C. New Business-

- 1 Christmas décor report-Sarah There were just the right people who responded to the call for help and a thank you to them will be submitted in the Link.
- 2.Rod Sommer virtual worship problems- email forwarded from Tom Clapham The WT will respond this week (Note: an email was sent as promised)
3. Display of The Porch and other literature suggestion-Sarah She suggested clear Lucite document holders be used on strategically placed tables rather than the "fan" layout which consumes too much table space.  
**Ellie will look into those**
4. Beautification plans-Sarah Discussion tabled to a future meeting

#### Next Meeting

**MON, JANUARY 3, 2022, 7:00 PM AT THE CHURCH**

**Note: IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER, MEETINGS WILL BE HELD VIA ZOOM AND Pastor Ritchey will send the meeting information prior to the meeting**