

Worship Team Minutes September 13, 2022

Attending: Pastor Ritchey, Elder Jim Langford, Worship Leader Chuck Leedle, Worship Leader Ellie McGinty, Sarah Sporrer-Beautification/Clerk

I. Opening Prayer-Ellie

II. Opening Business

A. Additions/corrections to agenda-approved as is

B. Approve August minutes-approved

III. Opening Devotional-Ellie: each offered up prayer needs and each was prayed over by person on their right

IV. Session and Pastor reports

A. Pastor Ritchey expressed appreciation for Michael's sabbatical and now his return to pastoral position. They have created their sermon schedule and will be taking turns with several back-to-back sermons scheduled.

B. No updates from Session for this meeting

V. Worship Leader reports

A. Chuck-good to have the choir back and in good spirits; Media team working well. He has recently read John Piper's book, Providence, dealing with sanctification. Very apropos to Pastor's sermon Sunday past. People have been asking about the bells returning and they will be.

B. Ellie-Leadership development remains her high priority and even into 2023, i.e., when to say yes or no, stage presence, confidence. A future goal is to recruit musicians from the youth sector leading to a youth-led Sunday worship. She is still working on the Tech Team structure, streamlining 1st and 2nd systems to be run the same way; a very technical proposal. She is developing checklists for both services; it was noted the technology in Sanctuary not difficult to get ready for Sunday after weekday usage.

VI. Ongoing business/Action items

A. Sanctuary sound set-up: Pastor reported it is functioning; but camera not yet remote operation so further work still needed.

B. Proceeds from equipment sales-tabled until next meeting or when Bill can report

C. Hymnals-Hymns of Grace is the likely replacement choice in large part due to hymns sung in 2nd service are included. Pastor would like Pastor Michael to take another look. At October meeting will take a look at a timeline and budget availability

A. Communion-Dave W had sent a shut-in schedule to WT via email; a copy will be kept with these notes. Pastor would like to resume our traditional form of communion in January. Discussion was held and all in attendance approved that plan.

B. Baptism-Discussion with parents continue but no baptisms scheduled

C. Stewardship-a brief discussion held and Pastor noted to Jim L he possesses the qualities needed for the person leading Stewardship activities. The actual sequence of letters and mailing could be handled by the office with Ellie assisting. He would like a reply from Jim in 1 week. He would like to make sure the stewardship focus is from a pastoral POV. If Jim is agreeable, he will be asked to meet with Pastor Ritchey and Charlie D

VIII. New Business

A. South Lobby update-Sarah explained the plans to update the furnishings and create zones, including a gathering/conversation area and a hospitality coffee feature. Pastor would like to see a coffee maker such as in Casey's/other gas stations that is self-serve with minimal persons needed to run/maintain the coffee maker

B. Beautification sub-committee-Ellie explained the letter sent to members identified as having gifts in the various areas of beautification in order to establish a WT sub-committee for Beautification. Ellie and Sarah would be leaders/members of this committee, continuing all that has been established as important and expanding the understanding of and appreciation for beautification activities. The plan is for the committee to be solidified by the October meeting. Pastor Michael would be a liaison to Discipleship, the other Team, in addition to WT, to whom Beautification would report.

C. Security issue-complaints have been received about the main Lobby doors being locked on Sunday morning at critical times for entry. This has been discussed by Session.

NEXT MEETING, OCTOBER 11, 2022, 7 PM