GEPC MAY WORSHIP TEAM MEETING

05/16/2024 7pm

Team Members: Kelly Hackleman, Elder Jim Langford (Clerk), Tech Leader Bill Leuenberger, Chris Schupp (attending as tech from 1st service) / Michael Morefield unavailable.

I. **Opening Prayer**- Jim

II. Opening Business

- A. Additions/Corrections to Agenda: None
- B. Additions/Corrections last month Minutes: None.
- III. **Opening Devotional-** Bill will do it in June

IV. Session and Pastor Reports

A. Associate Pastor-Michael

- 1. Previous Action items:NA
- 2. New Business/Report:NA

B. Session-Associate Pastor Michael

- 1. Previous Action Item: NA
- 2. New Business/Report: NA

V. Worship and Tech Leader Reports

- A. 1st Service:
 - 1. Previous Action Items:
 - a. Elders in corners for prayer after service. Moved discussion to June when Michael and full worship team present.
 - Request from Relationships to reinstate the 60 second "greet your neighbor" during both services. Already taking place in 2nd Service. More discussion will be needed between Michael and Kelly to integrate into 1st service in a form that works best for that service.
 - New Business/Report: 1st service:
 - a. Hymnals: Kelly and Mary Beth have gone over the 2 hymnals in detail. Neither was acceptable (and they won't fit into the pews). Both felt that neither option was an improvement over current Hymnal. Jim shared that the Trinity Hymnal (Red) was preferred by Session as it best reflects our liturgy structure and theology compared to the other choices. Kelly shared that Mary Beth did not feel like she could support purchasing either of them. Kelly noted that the Black Hymnal didn't have any Hymn tune names on the pages which is critical for selection of music. Question came up asking are other options available to consider for the readings? Kelly said the

preference is to continue using the Celebrations hymnal as it serves our current needs, until Kelly can have input into the decision making process for 1st service since the original choice was made when Chuck was leading worship in 1st service. Discussion / final decision was tabled until June meeting when we have full meeting attendance..

- b. Request by Lyn VandePolder for purchase of 5 chalices and 5 small plates for communion so we have a full set in each kitchen for each service. No need for the sets to match. Discussion on hold until next meeting in June when we get an updated YTD budget from finance.
- c. Clarity on interim 1st service leadership plan. The assumption is Larry is leading but Kelly hasn't heard if that is an official decision that has been made.
- B. 2nd Service-
 - 1. New Business:
 - a. 2nd service: Determine interim leadership plan. Eric is leading at this time.

Tech Leader-Bill L

- 1. Previous Action Items:
 - a. Bill started working with Kathy to set up an account with Reverb.com to sell used equipment.
 - b. Bill going to purchase the earbuds approved in March Worship meeting.
- 2. New Business/Report:
 - a. Current Hearing Assist system is not getting used in services. Bill wants to explore purchasing (approx. \$1K) a device that connects to the soundboard and works via wifi to connect to hearing aid users cell phones to send the signal to their hearing aids from their cell phones. Bill talking to Mark Lancaster about ways to gather hearing aid user feedback.

VI. Other Reports

- A. Beautification- Is it now officially reporting to Property? Believe the answer is yes. Will get confirmation from Michael in June meeting.
- B. New Business/Report:
 - a. Chris Schupp: Announcement slides in services need to be kept current. Still showing slides from March.

Question: Who is updating those slides for both services?

- b. Chris Schupp: Can we purchase / install wifi light bulbs or wifi switches for the stage in 1st service so they can be dimmed remotely from the back of the sanctuary rather than worship leader or tech person manually controlling them from the front and in the hallway? Kelly said that properties was looking into that change.
- c. Worship Team to discuss in June what Chris' level of involvement and how we set expectations for frequency of his attendance at Worship Team monthly meetings.

VII. Standing Business Items-Associate pastor Michael

- A. Communion: NA
- B. Baptism: NA
- C. Stewardship: NA

NEXT MEETING June 20, 2024 at 7:00.

Adjourn in Prayer: Bill.