

## WORSHIP COMMITTEE

**May 14, 2017**

Attendees: Beth Provost, Mattie Verzino, Heidi Flower, Carol Rivard, Yountae Kim, and Mary Rogers.

Lenten Services: Lenten services went very well this year. On Palm Sunday, 6-8 congregants joined in the Procession. Next year the procession needs to be a little longer. The Maundy Thursday service was good. Next year Yountae would like to do it as a "meal" with either real bread for pancakes. The confirmants will take communion that evening. The Easter service was lovely and moving. People really appreciated the devotionals sent electronically so we will do that again.

Changes to Service: Welcome and Greetings – using chimes to bring people back to the service is not working since you cannot hear the chimes in the back of the sanctuary when people are greeting each other. It was decided we would try changing it up to: Chimes, Welcome and Greeting, and then Announcements. We could try ringing a bell to bring people back to service. Service Layout: Yountae has dropped the psalter and put a psalm as part of the Lay Leader's reading.

Pastor Time Off for Baby: The exact timing is not determined, of course, but we could have the Annual Conference attendees make their reports the Sunday the pastor is absent in lieu of the sermon. We also have several Lay Readers who could fill in such as Tim Krauss and Jeanette Baker.

Upcoming Events: Children's Day, May 21, Mattie will recognize the Acolytes. Scholarship Sunday will be June 11. For Mother's Day we had the flowers. Last year we had 32 flowers and this year 40 flowers. We were short about 5 flowers. We will need to come up with an idea for Father's Day.

Summer Services – We will have one service during the July and August time frame. The weekly communion service will be held in Sessions Hall near the chapel. We will set up an altar near the chapel and move the piano as well. Yountae will change up the service a bit for the summer and we may cut back on the number of verses sung. In addition, we may have some alternative music including visiting musicians and the pastor playing the guitar. Instead of the regular offeratory, we would have the collection plate near where people entered and they could drop their offerings in the basket. We would like to change up the coffee hour to be just light beverages. We will need help after services on June 25 to set up for the first Sunday in July.

Next Meeting: August 13.