WORSHIP COMMITTEE

October 11, 2020

In attendance were: Ohyeun Lee, Pastor Yongyen Lee, Mattie Verzino, Beth Provost, Jill Wilson, Mary Rogers.

Review of Services: Communion went well. The communion packs were at the back of the sanctuary for people to pick up as they entered. The Pastor explained how to open the packages to receive communion.

For Passing of Peace, people remained seated and waved to each other. Pastor and Mrs. Lee had made two visitations (Mary Rogers and Carolyn Koboski) and recorded peace greetings which Pastor played during the passing of peace in service. They plan to continue to do that going forward.

There was concern about people standing around and talking before and after services. Beth will include in the bulletin the instructions about coming in and sitting down and leaving right away after services and Pastor will make the announcement before services. Jill mentioned that at the church in Florida she attends the ushers guide people out when it is time to leave. We do not have the ushers to do that at this time. A suggestion was made that we should play some quiet music at 10 minutes before service. The screen should indicate something to the effect that the music is provided to enable people to prepare for service. It would be good to list those who are in need of prayer.

There was also discussion about the number of watchers dropping off to about 10-12 when previously there were 30 or more. Part of that drop may be from those who are now attending services in person. Between the two services there were about 50 people attending on the first Sunday of the month.

Mattie indicated it is difficult to tell when to put out the candles if there is not a final hymn. Pastor indicated he was not going to sing a final hymn so Mattie should come up at the Postlude.

Jeannette had informed Pastor that Gary Gladu will be the lay leader for November and December.

Thanksgiving – Carol Rivard will be preparing the Altar with the cornucopeia as in previous years. There will be no fresh food there. She will set up a table in front for Pastor for the communion. Pastor also wants to do a communion for Christmas Eve.

Pastor Lee plans a Thanksgiving & Vision Feast in November with the following presentations on what has been done during the year and what is planned.

Nov.1 - Education Team Nov.8- Mission & Outreach Team Nov.15- Nurture & Care Team Nove.23- Board of Trustees

Jill raised the issue of the joint Thanksgiving Eve service. Pastor Lee will call Laura at Asbury to see if this is still happening. We believe it will be cancelled due to the larger numbers who attend and the issue of Covid.

We discussed children doing the opening prayer and Lord's prayer. The only issue of concern was that they have their own microphone. Mary explained to Pastor Lee that we were working on the children becoming more involved in the service and that this was well received by the congregation.

Next meeting will be the second Sunday of November to discuss Christmas service.