Worship & Music Committee meeting online: via Zoom Apr. 4, 2023

Present: Sherry Scheider, Pastor Scott, Carolyn Ciaccio, LaVon Downing, Dave Musser, Richard Popp, and Susie Smalley

Pastor opened the meeting with a reading from John.

Old Business:

† <u>organ committee</u>: A committee consisting of Susie, Richard, Carolyn, and Dave met Sunday to talk about our current organ and brainstorm about some options of what our next step will be, after our organ is irreparable. At this point, however, Artie (the repairman from Triune Music) believes he can still repair it. In order to get a good handle on what decision to make (repair or replace), we need to first find out how much the cost of the repairs would be - at least a ballpark figure. Triune Music has thus far been out to repair it twice, however we haven't been invoiced yet for either trip, so we did not have that information yet. Richard will contact them to see if he can at least get an hourly rate for service calls and the cost of the service call itself so that we won't have a huge surprise when we are invoiced and so we can make a decision on what to do next, and when we should do it.

Pastor said that, at this point, let's just compile a list of options by next month so that we can decide what our next step will be once we do decide we're unable to repair this one or decide we don't want to anymore. That way, we will be prepared and will have a head start on what we will do. The organ committee will meet again before our next worship and music meeting and compile a list of options.

- † **Wednesdays during Lent**: Attendance was between 20-25 each week. Thank you to all the musicians who helped: Karen, Cheryl, Susie, Monica, and Richard!
- † Palm Sunday (April 2, 2023): The bell choir played a prelude and that worked well to get people to go inside the sanctuary. After the prelude concluded, those who wanted to go outside to the Memory Garden followed Pastor out to begin service outside. This year, there was no signing during the processional, just random bell ringing (only certain bells, of course). Richard started "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" once we gathered in the narthex. The procession went much better this year than in the recent years since service has begun in the Memory Garden. We had homemade bread for Holy Communion, made by Pearl Fortman.

New Business:

- † **setting changes/Communion**: Beginning this Sunday (Easter) and continuing through Pentecost (May 28), we will switch to setting 8. There is no music written for the preface in that liturgy; so Richard wrote some and we'll be singing that!
- † Maundy Thursday (Apr. 6, 2023) 7pm: Psalm 88 will again be intoned at the end of service during the stripping of the altar (psalm used on Maundy Thursday depends on Good Friday's psalm. This year, Psalm 22 will be read Good Friday). Sherry has recruited people to strip the altar; Pastor Scott will instruct ushers about the lighting. Zoom: Neither Phil nor Susie can be there to run Zoom. Pastor will ask if Monica would be willing to do that.
- † Good Friday (Apr. 7, 2023) 3pm: New time we'll see how it goes! Phil will be able to run Zoom.
- † **butterflies**: Butterflies will go up this Saturday (Apr. 8th) at 9am. Afterwards, those helping with the butterflies will help to return Moline Hall back to normal after the elections that will have happened on the 4th. Butterflies will remain up through April 23rd. Sherry will ask the volunteers on Saturday if they'd be able to meet to take the butterflies back down on either April 29th or May 6th.

† **Easter Sunday (Sunday, April 9, 2023)**: Service will be during our usual Sunday morning time: 9:30am. Breakfast pizzas (5) from Casey's, coffee cake, and fresh fruit, juice, and coffee will be available after service. Thank you to Carolyn and Janette for organizing that!

The meeting was closed with prayer.

Next meeting: Tuesday, May 2, 2023 at 11am, via Zoom

Respectfully Submitted,
Susie Smalley