

# **Worship & Music Committee meeting (online: via Zoom) Mar. 4, 2025**

Present: Deacon Cheryl Erdmann, Sherry Scheider, Carolyn Ciaccio, and Susie Smalley

We opened our meeting with the prayer of the day for Ash Wednesday.

## **Old Business:**

- † **minutes from last month:** minutes were approved.
- † **altar flowers:** no flowers during Lent.
- † **setting usage** - We are currently still using setting 2 and will continue to do so for an undetermined amount of time.

## **New Business:**

- † **electronic piano:** Council's opinion was to put this subject on hold. We agree!  
[Sherry also talked with Linda Longardner about the electronic piano that we currently have. Linda played it; it worked. Linda said something to the effect of, "Why spend money on something new when we have one already that works?"]  
Steve found the blueprints and Chad and he are going to go look at the 'choir loft' area.
- † **Ash Wednesday:** We will begin and end the service in silence. We only will have the Hymn of the Day, no music during offering or Holy Communion. Psalm 51 will be sung to the tune of "The King Shall Come".
- † **simple suppers & services: (Mar. 12, 19, 26, Apr. 2, 9):**
  - Susie asked if we have been "advertising" (or promoting) our Holden Evening Prayer service to any other churches around the area. Dn. Cheryl said no and was hoping there would be more word-of-mouth "advertising". She also pointed out other Lutheran churches are doing the Holden Evening Prayer service as well.
  - Zoom: Phil will need to miss all but one week; hopefully Noah will learn and be able to fill in! Carolyn said he won't be able to do the 12<sup>th</sup>, but perhaps the others! 😊 [Dn. Cheryl also thought about maybe asking Spencer Pierson to see if he might be interested in learning how to do Zoom as well (Sundays too, not just during the Holden Evening Prayer service).]
  - The first week of the simple supper chart is filled in already; we'll need to draw attention to week 2, which is written next to, rather than below, the first week.
- † **palms:** Sherry noticed (just *after* she ordered) that she made a note to herself last year and had intended to order 4 dozen this year. She isn't going to order just one more dozen because she'd have to pay for shipping again, so we'll make do with three dozen!
- † **Palm Sunday:** We'll start in the Narthex and process into the sanctuary.
- † **butterflies:** We are hanging them Saturday, April 19, at 9am, and just use the butterflies we have. When taken down, they will discard any that are in bad shape.
- † **Easter:** Last year we had 82 worshippers. We will again have an "enhanced" coffee hour and not a full breakfast. Cheryl will put up a sign-up chart.

**Next meeting: Tuesday, Apr. 1, 2025 at 10:00am, via Zoom**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Susie Smalley