

2022.08.04 Leadership Circle/Committee of the Whole Meeting Notes

In attendance: Paul Roberts, Ben Jacques, Wendy Miller Olapade; a quorum (5 members) was not reached

Partnership and Ministry Updates

- Hillside strength worship/Sanctuary strength mission and outreach – each website will point to the other for their strength
 - Will implement shared site for partnership – churchpartnership.org
 - Create a donation page for those who want to donate to the partnership versus one or other church
 - Tom will preach 75%/Wendy25%; manage message of websites
 - Wendy will create weekly One Minute Word/Newsletter messages, and drive the mission/outreach, arts/formation, and equity/justice/civic relationships
- 40 Plus in attendance at June Youth Sunday
- Summer Worship attendance has been between 20 and 30
- Feedback is that worship, preaching, music is really great and the progressive message is one that is needed by many
- Hybrid worship remains to be further developed – so that we can bring those online community into the worship space at 144 North, and vice versa
- Sunday School will continue in the same model in September
- Need to hire Sunday morning worship tech support
- Currently managing social and news and web without staff – so as to determine the needs now that we are leaning into joint programming

New Joint Newsletter: New format/joint logo, guided by marketing expertise to engage folk with inspiration and good news, reduces costs and duplication of effort (social media, website presence, and data base management, newsletter tools, and the effort to create).

Feedback: more pictures, pictures of us, add arts and inspiration, film reviews, create a landing page for as “art wall” for members to make recommendations (art, poetry, film), add pictures of events such as meal making to attract (added to the event page).

HVAC at Parsonage: furnace maintenance calls for new oil tank due to leak found; discussed

- \$3700.00 to replace
- urgency due to cost of remediation if a problem
- do it no matter what is decided about future HVAC upgrades
- Should we be going green on this property?
 - Is Mass Power and Light something that can help with review and reconsideration of HVAC?
 - Should we look at Solar?
 - Split heat pump/AC (Ben had proposal for 22K)
 - Incentives
 - Would we Qualify for Remediation Insurance
- No one available to lead the work at this time