

COFFEE WITH COUNCIL

10-4-20

Pastor Bill George opened with prayer.

Ron Easton explained the delay in posting the online service. Previously, he had been able to use Sundays and Seasons to auto upload the service but that feature has stopped being supported. He is manually posting the service instead. All missing services should be posted soon.

Bible Study

Pr Bill and Betsy Reese will talk this week about setting up a mid-week bible study over Zoom.

Worship Services

Our next service will be at 10 am on Sunday, 10/25/20, Reformation Sunday. The later time will allow more time so it will be a bit warmer outside. A lot of people are used to sitting outside for sports events so they will be ok with any cooler temps. Don't forget to wear red! Sara Meyers, Ron E, and Pr Bill will work on the service.

We will see if there is enough interest for an afternoon tailgate/Thanksgiving service on Sunday, 11/22/20. The Chiefs play at 7:20 pm that evening. The fire pit could be moved from the back yard to the upper parking lot. The fire pit will be a symbolic gesture used for atmosphere and ambiance and will probably not keep anyone warm. It is important to remember that we are trying a variety of services. We know that not everyone will attend all of them but we are providing a service for those that will attend. We aren't going to not have a service because some people can't attend. This service will be mentioned at our 10/25 service and Ron E will put it in the email, website, and Face book page.

Ron Schwantes asked if we could hold services inside the building. Pr Bill said other ministers reported a drop off in numbers after the first indoor service. The COVID numbers for the county are still too high. Our sanctuary can hold about 23 people and maintain social distancing. Some people are not comfortable attending services inside.

We can purchase a camera and live stream worship services to Face book Live and then post them to our website. Ron E has posted a request in the weekly email to see if anyone is interested in participating in live streaming a service with the reading lessons or prayers or providing special music. Pr Bill will give the sermon from the sanctuary. Ron E can live stream our 10/25 service.

Advent and Christmas Eve services were discussed. They will be virtual. Ron S can provide music. Brief explanations of the meanings of some of the chrismons or the Advent wreath candle colors and sequence could be recorded for the

services. The first Sunday in Advent is 11/29/20 so setup would need to be done on Saturday, 11/28, at the latest (Thanksgiving weekend). Any plans need to be clearly and quickly communicated to everyone so banners and paraments can be changed, the sanctuary decorated, etc. Carla Girkin will contact the Melton and Antes families to see if the kids can help decorate the sanctuary tree. It could be live streamed to make people feel more involved in the season. Anything that can be done to keep viewers from feeling so unanchored during the season will be greatly appreciated. Carla will work with Anne Lee, Paul Blixrud, and Phil Gross to coordinate the process. Phil and one other adult will set up the tree and string the lights.

MLM Christmas Store

Delivery of all items must be completed on Sunday, 11/15/20, to the main location of MLM. Vehicles to haul the items there and volunteers to unload them are needed. We will not have an angel tree this year but members who have already purchased items can bring them to church on 10/25/20 or during church office hours. Items will be stored in the Sunday School room. MLM does have a wish list on Amazon, you can donate directly through their website, or give to All Saints and we will make sure they get the funds. All donations should be made before 11/15 so they can purchase items with the funds. Carla will see if the youth want to help carry the items into the MLM warehouse.

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Don't forget to bring donations to the worship services on 10/25 and 11/22. They are in great need of money and food donations.

Stewardship

Nancy Cramer is working on a virtual auction with the input of Pam Meek and Ron E. Pledge cards will be mailed this year.

The call was closed with the Lord's Prayer.