August Pastor's Report

- I've contacted community groups about returning to the building; Easter Seals, Sunrise NMRA, and NA have all said they'd return and have provided COI's and other forms.
 - o Cub Scouts have said they will return their key
 - Haven't been able to contact the Girl Scouts
- For 2022, we are looking to integrate our office work with Servant Keeper. This means our attendance, group information, Council minutes, and financial giving statements will be kept on Servant Keeper
 - I want to be clear: Jean is still the only one who will be able to see what everyone has given.
 Lori, the other administrator in Servant Keeper, cannot see what people have given. Jean will begin to keep track of contributions on the cloud version of Servant Keeper beginning in January 2022.
 - Stewardship still needs to meet, where the discussion will be had about recommending that an additional one or two people be aware of donation amounts
- With Personnel Committee, interviewed someone for Office Administrator (OA)
 - We're receiving applications still but the people who've applied do not meet our needs.
 - In discussion with Personnel, we're going to leave the OA position open: Amy will continue to make the bulletins [Lori as back up], I will take on coordinating building use. We will reassess in January 2022 ,but we think with how we're currently operating, the three of us can complete the office functions without having to hire someone. (Saves the congregation money, too!)
- The Mission Bell Newsletter is coming back! Quarterly (or so) beginning September 15. Will be 8 pages, all articles limited to 200 words. Lori is compiling. Each month will highlight a different committee: September's is VRSM
- Met with area pastors, including Pastor Bart from Trinity Baptist
- Amy and I will be at the Synod's Fall Theology Conference September 21-23. Amy's been asked to speak on a panel 😊
- Office Hours will be established in September for sure (Lincoln's school starts 9/7 and I'll have a steady childcare situation then); in the meantime, I am physically in the office Monday-Thursday, 9-3. You can reach me via email or my cell phone (630) 750-8627. I'm off on Fridays.
- Installed 8/15

Questions for Council:

- I'm considering a PM Bible Study group on Wednesdays, via Zoom—**thoughts**? Different than the AM group
- In contacting groups, Mission Viejo said they're hosting a Dumpster Event 10/2 in our East lot. Is that on everyone's radar?
- I'll be out of town Oct 11-18, missing Sunday October 17. Amy will be leading worship and preaching. **Can we pay her pulpit supply price?**