

## HOLY LOVE COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS-May 17, 2022

- Thanks to Debbie Anderson for the Spaghetti fundraiser. Also, thanks to Eric Hermanson for donating the pottery for the silent auction. We raised over \$2,000 for Amy!
- Worship Protocols-Discussion on the merits of passing the plate versus keeping it in one location. Concern was that we are missing income by not passing. Counter concern was that people might feel awkward for not putting money in the plate if it is passed. Determined there isn't much of a difference either way, so we will keep it in one location. All agreed it was a good idea to move the plate back into the sanctuary
- Tree removal-cement work and landscaping. Property Team has bids on cement, xeriscape, and new fencing on playground. Preschool Board has pledged \$10,000 to cover the cost of the cement work. PTO may be able to donate some money to connect the sidewalk on the west side to the main sidewalk on South Chambers Way. Preschool Board has committed another \$5,000 towards the playground fence re-do. We still have approximately \$6,200 in our Tree Removal Fund. This means that we are fully funded to move on the repair of the West Side now that the trees are done. Yay!
- New Member Dinner was a great success. Thanks to Alan Schmuck for organizing it.
- Christmas in July food drive will be restarted with Bob and Peggy Apmann overseeing. This was a program started as a stewardship event in 1993 (per Darryl Harvey's imperfect memory) and had been done every year until COVID.
- Update on Indonesian Church proposal. We are waiting for the Synod to give the go ahead to begin a conversation with the Indonesian Lutheran group.
- A number of people asked that both first and last names be included in our Prayer List. There are privacy concerns since a search engine can pick up names placed on the internet. The eNews on Wednesday will include first and last names assuming we determine that this format is not searchable online.
- Holy Love is coming up on its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, so we need to start planning a celebration. Bob Apmann and John Lewis are doing the tree stump ring commemoration which ties in. It was suggested that we do a yearlong series of festivities commemorating first gathering, chartering, etc. This will make it easier to invite people to come. Melissa Waples, Pastor Brittany and Pastor Harry Laubach agreed to serve on a task force to plan the celebrations, but we will need to recruit more people.

Darryl Harvey, Council President