

Doers Gathering,

Monday, Mar 13, 2023

Church Hall 6:30pm

A little bit of pre–St Patrick’s Day was present in the room. Pistachio pudding, mint and chocolate cookies, green mints with Green tea to have with table talk: Discipleship is seeing how our lives are a sacred calling and out of our faith, connecting our gifts with the World’s needs. **How do you see Trinity addressing Bold Discipleship now and in the future?** Each table answered this question on sheets that can be found in hallway between the office and sanctuary:

- Winter shelter (serving the community)
- food bank and space for food bank in the plans for the future
- Affordable housing at Stewart House and going forward with housing development.
- Thrift store
- Welcoming everyone
- Syrian Refugee support and possible sponsorship
- Reconciliation
- Sharing time and talents (taking on the positions needed in leadership)
- Camp Spirit
- Mission and Service Fund donations; Minute for Mission during the worship service
- Faithful life

Joy brought us together singing “**The Servant Song**” from the **Green hymn book**

7:00 pm Rev David led us in a meditation in preparation for listening, discussions and reporting.

Joy asked for a minute of silence.

Governance update:

- Betty McLean reminded us to consider possibilities for leadership. Jo-Ann, Peggy and Syd are currently standing as the nominating team.
- Robert reviewed January and February together with a printed sheet showing total revenue of \$38,592.08 and total expenses \$45,475.50. A copy of this 2 sided yellow sheet will be in the Plastic file holder on wall in church hallway near sanctuary door.

General items:

- Volunteer possibilities: Coffee hospitality, flowers for worship time in sanctuary
- Incident book...we are reminded to write any info to communicate happenings, problems.

Sponsorship: Syd Sawyer read a letter from Noor and another letter from the Alali family. Each are requesting for help bringing their families into Canada from Syria. A short discussion was had and the general thinking is that with this groups permission Trinity will consider sponsoring two families.

General Items:

- One Days Pay Envelope and information sheet.
- Port Coquitlam City Wide **Garage sale April 22**. Thrift is willing to be open, Syd will register the Church to be in the garage sale. This can be our **second trunk sale** on the parking lot. Syd and a couple volunteers will stir up some interest to make a fun outside fundraiser.

Interest Groups: Worship and music, Christian Education, Pastoral Care, Property, and Outreach

8:00 pm Reports:

- **Worship and Music:** reported Easter Sunday Services 8am and 10:30am at Trinity. Maundy Thursday 3:30 in Sanctuary (only in person). Good Friday at Inlet United. Pulpit supply needed for April 16/23/30 and May 21/28. The church organ is being used once again. The “usher” evacuation process” is being worked on. Fire Suppression blanket is being sought out for the front of church. Tech people are still in short supply. Know anyone who might volunteer?
- **United Church Women:** yellow paint requested to be painted on stairs outside the thrift entrance. Also requesting a second rail be installed on the stairway from office to the upstairs level for safety reasons. United Church Women’s conference April 21 and 22 in Squamish. Speak to Joy or Joan if interested.
- **Pastoral Care:** update directory in progress to be completed April 16, church membership....new members? Non-active members to be contacted by April 16. Phoners for this are required. Names of those that would appreciate a phone call are requested by this group. A celebration noted: Niki Fraser and Kim Prowse are joining the healing Pathways group.
- **Christian Education:** The book – **Building Community** is being read at *Tuesday evening 2211* and at *Monday Morning group*. Explore time on Sunday mornings is requiring a bit more assistance once in a while due to the variety of ages. Another **couple volunteers** requested.
- **Property:** Dave reported fixing the wall behind the dishwasher. Dave will build and install the 2nd rail on stairway. The yellow paint will be done in March on the outside stairs. The Hall floor will be stripped and finished by the company Progressive Housing works with. The cost will be shared with Progressive housing. March 24 the room needs to be emptied...3 volunteers needed. March 25 floor to be stripped and finished...all day job. Rosa to be informed of this.
- **Outreach:** a group of 5 discussed the possibility of Trinity sponsoring two families from Syria. This group agreed that it needs to be attempted and are willing to start the process knowing that there are many resources available.

Celebrations: Resa has his Canadian Citizenship ceremony online Wed. Mar 15. Cake at coffee time on Sunday! St. Patrick’s tea Sat Mar 18 1-3 at Assumption \$15. Mens Games night Mar 18 7-9 \$5.00.

8:30 pm Rev. David Closed our evening with a short worship.