

Rush United Methodist Church
Leadership Committee Notes
April 15, 2021

Present: Pastor Todd, Lynda Wanzenried, Geoff Furman, Jan Corey, Erin Bills, Patti Weaver,
Cindy Wallace, Tanya Hunt

Guest: Spencer Hayes

Joys and Concerns and Opening Prayer

Finance Committee and Treasurer's Report:

1. Spencer presented a full analysis of 2019-2020 and Q1 of 2021 finances. He also presented extensive graphs and charts to show quarterly comparisons. All of his analyses will be posted on the church website.
2. Several general points made by Spencer include:
 - the decrease of programs and expenses in 2020 were partially because of COVID and also the elimination of expenses such as the cleaning service.
3. Our income increased because of the Program Protection Plan (PPP).
4. Pledged income has increased in 2021.
5. The Finance team members are: Ken Graham, Spencer and Barb Kingsley.
6. Future considerations are preparing the 2022 budget and the pledge drive next fall.
7. Our office copier contract expired and Barb Kingsley solicited three bids to replace it.. A new contract was awarded to Xerox. Between less usage and Xerox's price we anticipate saving approximately \$800.
8. Our first PPP loan was converted to a grant by the Small Business Administration and a second PPP loan has been approved. We are currently waiting for the funds.
9. The Youth Ministries position has been advertised throughout colleges, the Methodist Conference, and churches in this area. While we currently haven't received any applications, the committee is hoping to start the ministry in September.

Trustees Update:

1. Operational tasks need to continue such as the floor in Promise Land. Jose will lead this particular project.
2. We need continued reports on status of needs and projects.
3. Our kitchen sanitizing project has been completed and the Board of Health inspected the cleaned kitchen and we are in total compliance.
4. There is going to be a wedding held in our church in July which will require COVID safety precautions. Erin will head up this project.
5. John Kessler had been supervising Corrina about what we need cleaned in the church and her job performance. Erin has volunteered to be in charge of this.

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7. HVAC concerns:

- All A/C units need to be checked and may require maintenance. The heating and A/C unit in the conference room has completely failed. Geoff will talk with John and Chris about past information and history on this unit.
- There are slow leaks in the boiler which should be checked out to see if repair or replacement is appropriate.

Promise Land and The New Playground:

1. Promise Land has applied for a special building permit for the playground.
2. \$5,000 has already been raised for the project.
3. Promise Land continues to sell pavers for the new pathway. Small pavers are \$75 and large ones sell for \$150. You may have whatever wording you'd like engraved on your paver.
4. There will be a golf tournament in September and the price will be \$120 pp.

SPRC:

1. Judy has asked that our celebration retirement party for her on be kept simple. It will be held on June 20th in the Pavilion immediately after the second service. Invitations will be sent out and will include information concerning cash gifts to Judy. RSVP's are required so the committee can plan for the amount of food, etc.

Additional Information:

1. The Upper NY Conference delegate needs to be selected for the May 17-19 conference. Pastor Todd will ask Erma and Leon if they would represent our church.
2. An anonymous \$5,000 donation has been made for window repair with any leftover money going to the Capital Improvement Fund. Pastor Todd will include information about donating to the Endowment Foundation in the next newsletter.

Notes submitted by:

Cindy Wallace

The next Leadership Committee meeting will be held on
Saturday, May 8th at 8:30 AM