**Agenda for November 3, 2021 Meeting of the Worship & Music Committee**

**Theme for 2020-2021: How can we be mindful and authentic in cherishing all life?**

Chalice Lighting: In Beauty May I Walk . . . Helen Exley

Be careful when speaking. You create the world around you with your words. Navajo

1. Minutes of the October to be approved
2. Reflection on suggestions for Moving Forward with Virtual Worship and Return to In-Church Services: *The group feels that, for the near future, worship services can be held as we are doing; that is, on Zoom, in-person with masks and distancing, and posted on Facebook. To increase involvement, however, we recommend:*

* *Use of chat to message specific persons*
* *Use of chat to contribute joys/sorrows/thoughts at designated time in the service*
* *Use of break-out rooms*
* *Establishment of ZOOM Greeter Team: Person would serve about one time each month. Duty would be to welcome participants as they enter and to see how they are and whether they have a Joy or Sorrow.*

*For the upcoming memorial services, the committee recommends offering Zoom for those who do not want to attend, in-person in the Sanctuary for those vaccinated and masked, and zoom access in Social Hall for those not vaccinated.*

1. Correspondence: Martha has sent a thank you note to Martha Webster, Lawrence Green, George B, Piyush S, Annie Warmke, Suzyn Mills.
2. Financial Matters: Request approval of $75 stipend for Rob McManus (Nov. 14 guest speaker) Kat - $250 donation online to UU The Vote and request for reimbursement??? Kat - Lawrence Greene - $150?
3. Other groups (Board of Trust Governors, Caring Committee, Building & Grounds, Membership, BRIDGES, Finance) to taking part in or taking responsibility for worship service? Need to approach groups and ask them to do an informational component to a worship service and perhaps to organize a committee recharge or committee fair event.
4. Annie Warmke – idea for outside presenter: Tom Milhollan is with the Pennsylvania Washington County Historical Society. His specialty is the Abolitiionist Movement and the Underground Railroad. The Society operates the LeMayne House in Washington, PA. The case of John Davis is one topic he might address.
5. Holiday Card Project: Adeline Bailey will consult with other organizers to plan for the project.

**FUTURE Worship Services**

October

3 Kat – Reverence for All Life UU+ Book Club

10 Kat – What Does It Mean to Be a Welcoming Congregation?

[Jane T-S on Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples Day – where fit in?]

17 Kat & Martha – Reflecting on a Deeper Recovery

24 Suzyn Mills – WL “The Road to Thriving: What does it take, how can we get it for

ourselves, and how can we help others achieve it?” – Annie Warmke

Choir: “I Ask for One Day” by Jim Papoulis (pre-recorded)

31 Kat - Day of the Dead (Jane T-S)

November *Choir – “Music Changes the World”\*\* by Jim Papoulis Recommend 11/21 or 28*

*[MW not avail – 11/14]*

7 Navigating Uncertainty – Kat & Board (brainstorming session after service)

14 Martha – WL Rob McManus, Ph.D. “The Ethic of the Common Good”

21 Kat – All Ages Thanksgiving

28 Kat – Light One Candle [ADVENT starts and eve of Hanukkah]

(after service – garlands on fence)

December *Choir – “Winter” music by Anthony Giamanco, words by Walter de la Mare, arranged by Andy Beck Which date or dates? 12/12 or 19 and Christmas Eve*

5 Ribbon Ceremony Martha invited Office of Inclusion & Diversity of MC to

Participate - Tony Mayle

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Christmas Eve 24 Friday

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January

2 Fire Communion

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16 MLK

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30 Homecoming – inviting former pastors, friends and members to attend via Zoom

or pre-recorded statements for a reunion

February

6 Chinese New Year celebration as a participatory worship service

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\*\*Lyrics of “Music Changes the World” by Jim Papoulis

There must be a way to change the world, to join our hearts and find the hope;

There must be a way that we can see the simple truth: music changes the world.

There must be a way that we can sing and show the world what we can be;

There must be a way that we can see the simple truth: music changes the world.

If we want to change, we will have to learn we can overcome one by one;

Lift each other up and we can believe in a world that can be.

There must be a way that we can learn to join our hands and stand as one;

There must be a way that we can see the simple truth we know is there,

And as we sing, music changes the world.

There must be a way to change the world.

Spoken Words:

In order to make a true change in the world, I will pledge to myself

To have acceptance of others

To be more tolerant

To be a kind, considerate person.

I will look within myself, and only then can I make a real change in the world.