

**Holy Trinity UMC**  
**Core Team Meeting Agenda**  
**4/25/2022**

**Core Team Members:** Jeff Erlandson, Collan Zehnder, Tanya Alemu, Brad Wahl, Lynnette Dobberpuhl, Pastor Chad Gilbertson,

**Opening Prayer** – led by Chad

- Finance Update: See reports. First full finance team meeting in April including trustees, staff parish, Kelly, Jeff, Deanna, and Pastor Chad has been postponed to May. Need some idea if there are projects that are urgent in order to know what to do with the Building Fund. Jeff feels there isn't an urgent need to invest more aggressively now while the market is still volatile. Still waiting to find out what, if any, effect the UMC/GMC split will have.
- Worship numbers in person and online were up for Holy Week and Easter, great turnout yesterday which also happened to be
- CrossForm Initiatives
  - Reconciling Ministries (Carol/Chad) On May 1 we will hold a congregational meeting to discuss what Reconciling Ministries are, and Why, How and When we as a congregation will explore this idea. There will be a Q&A time at this meeting, and then further study and other congregational activities happen over the next few months, with a straw poll scheduled to take place in November to see where the congregation feels our church lands. There are different levels of inclusion. Doing nothing, just following the expected UMC actions, the language will likely become more open. To be part of a reconciling network involves making a more public proclamation, and also allows a congregation to act before the General Conference will be able to act (the soonest is 2024.) The Global Methodist Church, which is using the current exclusionary language and adding more penalties for people who violate it, is planning to launch May 1, 2022. There will be many opinions as we begin a deeper conversation on this issue, but we need to remember that we agree with each other in more ways than we disagree, and that we are all beloved children of God, worthy of being listened to carefully.
  - Tools for Racial Justice (Lynnette) anti-racism training, coffee and conversation, concerns about double standards,
  - Yard Signs (Lynnette) Brad
  - Updated Church Directory (Tanya) need Costa Rica mission, VBS, garden, bread oven,
  - Support GED/ESL Learners (Deanna) Deanna and Patty.
  - Garden Distribution to Community (Don) plans in process, no report at this meeting
  - Bread Oven (Tanya) new volunteers are in training, planning the pizza event on May 22. Core team is asked to provide a salad or fresh veggies.
  - Partnership with local school (Chad, tabled)
- Children/Youth/Families (Lynnette) Tech Table, Mission Trip, Sunday School, Sunday Bus, STORM
- Other 2022 Action Items
  - Why Videos
  - Vertical Banners at Chancel
  - Trinity swag

**Reminders:**

- Next meeting: April 25<sup>th</sup> in-person