

## New Brackett Church Worship Committee Minutes

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**Date/Time:** Tuesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022, 4pm (Zoom)

**In attendance:** Rev Will Green, Jeannie Ashmore, Linda Capone-Newton, Karin Elofson (scribe), Joanne Sterling, Sarah Ingraham, Jan Thomas

- 1) Call to order and prayer by Jeannie
- 2) October 18<sup>th</sup> minutes approved as distributed
- 3) General Topics
  - a) Altar Railings – Railings received, to be installed by Stewardship team.
  - b) Welcoming Packet –
    - i) Jeannie has sent file to Karin to format for proper size, along with example from HopeGateWay.
    - ii) Tri-folds are out of stock; updates to be made before more are ordered. Karin will send out the version she has for review and comments by the team.
  - c) AV Expert from HGW – Arthur MacCallahan has offered to visit NBC and give us suggestions on how to update our recording/amplification system. Joanne will follow up with him.
  - d) Jeannie took additional photos of HGW and will share with the team.
  - e) Rory Sellers still intending to install speakers in the vestry and perhaps the hall; he has been out of town. This will be good for overflow crowds.
  - f) John Zemenek has greased the bell. Cathy to send card of thanks!
  - g) Linda Holtlander is dealing with the after-effects of a partial hip replacement. She is learning patience! It is recommended that we send cards to Nelson and to Linda.
  - h) Decorating the church for advent – 10am on Saturday, 10/3. Others to be invited.
  - i) Jessamine Dana to lead a group in December on *To Bless the Space Between Us: A Book of Blessings* by John O'Donohue.
- 4) Recent Sunday Services
  - a) Lay-led service, November 13<sup>th</sup> based on *Church of the Wild* was well received. There will be another related service in January.
- 5) Upcoming Worship Themes
  - a) November 20<sup>th</sup> – The End of the World
  - b) November 27<sup>th</sup> – through December 18<sup>th</sup> – Advent themes; time to change the paraments. Children will light candles on Advent wreath each week.
  - c) Three large poinsettias to be purchased for the altar.
  - d) November 27<sup>th</sup> – Book, *Waiting* by Kevin Henkes.
  - e) Christmas Eve Service back in the Sanctuary, with special choir music. Labyrinth to be set up outside (but no refreshments). Jeannie to talk to Jess and Rob Rosenberg.
  - f) Sunday, Christmas Day Service to leverage traditional carols.

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- 6) New Robes – Rev Will has 12 from Andover. They are not identical to what we have now, but are a nice complement. Will would like his robe dry-cleaned; Jeannie to follow-up.
- 7) Programming for Children – OWL Training – Joanne continuing to have conversations with key people including local parents.
- 8) Membership Team – (*ongoing, not discussed 11/15*) this team needs a leader to pull together whomever is interested. Team does not need to be large.
- 9) Next meeting is **Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 4pm, by Zoom.**
- 10) Meeting adjourned at 5pm.