

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND TEAMS OF SESSION

Highlights

Worship and Music

The committee discussed the details for the re-opening of the Memorial sanctuary for in-person worship starting on March 21 even as services continue live streaming.

Holy Week services were planned with special musical offerings by Lynn Jacobs and the choir interns.

Mission and Outreach

The committee held an informative meeting with the director of Bunker Hill Haven for Boys and will discuss how OPC can be involved with support for that community's needs. Committee members learned that TOPSS will not build a new facility and it offered to return the contribution OPC made for that building. M&O will further inquire into precise TOPSS needs and then make a recommendation regarding a refund. The community meal on March 31 will be a soup drive-by.

Stewardship and Finance

The COVID-19 shutdown created an unusual amount of net income overage that was transferred to the contingency fund. Part of this money was used to install a high efficiency furnace that will replace 2 of the old furnaces in the Memorial. The other 9 furnaces in the Memorial are 20 years old so the committee is anticipating using some of the income overage for future furnace replacement. The committee approved funding for a new position of Media Specialist. Research is being undertaken for the purchase of a digital display monitor and programming unit with a monthly subscription fee, which will display the history of the church and announce and update church activities.

Christian Education

Members of the Journey Outward Team and the Mission and Outreach Committee joined the CE meeting in March to discuss Journey Outward goals and organize their shared efforts in promoting this new initiative. Megan Murray volunteered to serve as Vacation Bible School Chair. Jenn Walter had members of the youth group help her clean the 3rd-5th grade classroom and youth room. Rhonda is Zooming with children on the last Sunday of the month. Pastor Marc is leading an 8-week college version of "World Changing 101." Adult education podcasts are ongoing.

Trustees

Memorial building hallway painting and carpet installation jobs are completed. LED lighting is available for the hallway. AV system final

installation and upgrade completed. Dick Munson will hold a pruning workshop. Donor's gift will provide weed and fertilizer application to the Memorial lawn; grub control and aeration of Memorial lawn will also be done. Furnace and AC replacements scheduled.

Deacons

With recommendations from Talawanda school personnel, TJ Maxx gift cards will be given to students in need of clothing. Bill King and Brad Cronk are making "Comfort Crosses" to be distributed by the Deacons to their Angels or to those with serious illnesses. Deacons continue their visits, calls, sending cards, and offering transportation.

Called to Life Update

In a meeting with the other 14 cohorts (churches) in the Myrtle project, Pat Gifford reported that OPC's progress is moving along very well and that our Caring for Creation and Eliminating Systemic Poverty teams are successfully effecting program goals. The two teams are also discussing common threads and how to overlap their work and integrate these calls into the mission and structure of the church.

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