

## MINISTRY TEAM

April 21, 2022

Attendance: Pastor John Lucy, Marilyn Gerrard, Jennifer Wheeling, Kris Gerrard, Kayla Perez -Kilmonis, and Marsha Mason

**CONGREGATIONAL CARE:** Marsha Mason

Visitations, and Call Team: keeping in touch with those who are home and Nursing homes.

Nursing Home Worship: Stone Brook at the Overlook Masonic Home 4/11 with Pastor Lucy , Jean Anderson and Marsha Mason.

4/25 with Pastor Lucy and Jean, and Marsha. The service at The Meadows 4/24.

**OUTREACH:** Cindy Dighton and Kayla Perez-Kilmonis

Bread Ministry : Still doing good .

Worcester Fellowship: the bag lunch will be May 15.

Hygiene kits were a success we had enough to give to Sothbridge as well as Worcester Fellowship.

Worcester Fellowship Hot meal was prepared by Judy Fortin and Claudia Bleuvelt.

**SPIRITUAL GROWTH:** Kris Gerrard

Would like to start Men's Bible Study on Saturday's

Bible study : Continues to meet on Tuesday's from 1 to 2 PM. Currently we are studying Parables in the Bible with a focus on Matthew ."Kingdom of Heaven". Most recent was the Parable of the Hidden Treasures Matthew 13:44 and the Pearl of Great Price Matthew 13:46-47. Next Keith Luscombe will lead with pictures from Israel with related scriptures. May 3rd we will return to the Parable with a study focused on Dry Bones as found in Ezekiel 37:1-15

Adult Sunday School : will begin in the Fall

UMM: I and possibly Kevin and or John Hunt will participate in a webinar on May 1st. Which will introduce the all new platform United Men, Ministry, Mission- WORLDWIDE focused on James 1:22 It is my hope to influence the Men's group to be back in action.

Suppers plan for the Fall

Movie: hoping to have one in May- Father Stu...time and date to be determined.

Quarterly Activity : Woosox or Braveheart Game this summer.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL :** Karenlee Hickey

We have had some children attending Sunday School . We have been learning about "Jonah " It has been a blessing having them.

Conformation Class : is still going well

**WORSHIP:** Marilyn Gerrard:

The past month our church family participated in Holy Week Services. We met on Maunday Thursday in the Fellowship Hall, we had a light meal with a worship service. About 30 of us attended. Friday evening brothers and sisters from the Federated Church of Charlton joined with us to commemorate the death of our Lord. There about 30 attended. Pastor John also participated with many of our church family members in the Crosswalk starting at the Federated Church going to the hill at Overlook, and it is reported that a number of people from both congregations in attendance. Again, Pastor John and family members for our church participated in a Easter Sunrise service at the Overlook, Our church family gathered for worship again at 10.00 , about 100 attended. We will be having guest preachers on April 24, May 8, and May 22. In addition to Pastor John taking one week off he is working in conjunction with West Brookfield George Whitfield UMC to support Sandy Dam's Lay Ministry there.

Our transition from Maria Calkins doing the PowerPoint has gone well .Danielle Lucy is creatively designing and doing all the typing of all the slides each week and then on Sunday morning Deven Wheeling has done an outstanding job at the computer each week. Nancy Luscombe is on standby for Deven as a backup. The old computer keeps running by the grace of God. We have about 15-20 watching the service online each week on Face Book Live or You-Tube.

Pastor John is going to add a "Lighter Moments" segment to worship begging May 1, Instead of posting an online Children's service.

Choir meets weekly and is continuing to learn new music.

Summer Worship planning has begun. We will need the WIFI fully operational in the Chapel and new outdoor speakers.

**YOUNG ADULTS COORDINATOR:** Jennifer Wheeling

YABS continues filling lunch bags with donated items as needed.

With the arrival of spring, we are planning for more in-person time together, In addition to the ZOOM meetings we've had in past months. We will be gathering on 4/28 at the church to prepare a meal and spend time together.

At our last meeting we discussed babysitting at the church during the Christmas holiday as a possible community outreach/fundraiser. We also discussed hosting a church -wide fellowship event.

Our most recent service to Dismas House was April 5. Kayla, Jen, and Deven went.

Marcia Beal prepared the meal. Deven will be the point person for the next time we go (June 7) As part of his confirmation project. Nancy Luscombe has offered to prepare the meal.

**NEXT MEETING:** May 26, 2022 at 6PM

