

Lumen Christi Worship Ministry Council

Tuesday, November 15, 2022; 6:30pm

Members: Amy Wittak (Director of Liturgy), Anne (Abbie) Krisnek (council chair), Becky Lynch, Cassandra Swan (council secretary), John Rowan (council vice-chair), Mike Link, Nan Cedarblade, Paul Theisen, Robin Doheny, Teri Parker-Brown

Attendees: Alexa, Amy, Becky, Cassandra, Paul, Robin, Deacon Mike

2022-23 Meeting Dates: September 20, October 18, November 15, December 13, January 17, February 21, March 21, April 18, May 16, June 20

Worship Council 2022-23 Goals:

1. Finalizing COVID commemorative artwork
 2. Help with new priest transition & identify worship-related areas we can assist with
 3. Collaboration with Hi-C for greater Mass participation – review survey data and identify opportunities; choose at least one actionable item for implementation
 4. Offer development opportunities for liturgical ministers
 5. Greater engagement of the community at Mass, particularly providing a voice to those who aren't being heard, and impacting those who are both in-person and virtual
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AGENDA

Review Last Month's Meeting Notes

- No updates/changes
- Minutes approved

Parish Council Updates

- None

LCCC Updates

- None

Discussion: Advent and Christmas

- The Advent/Christmas schedule has been distributed to parishioners by mail.
- The 4pm mass will feature the children's choir. Hoping for a great success and to repeat for Easter. Currently have about 13 kids in grades 3-8 participating.
- The 4pm and 8:30 Christmas masses will be livestreamed.
- Advent evening prayer has been moved to the chapel.
- The HiC school family survey has been returned and results are just being compiled now. We are uncertain how the survey results will be disseminated.

Discussion: 2022-23 Goals check-in

- COVID artwork
 - We're halfway through the feedback collection on the COVID artwork.
 - After this weekend, we'll mail the remaining ballots out and then determine the results at our Dec council meeting.
- Priest Transition
 - Transition has been seamless; agenda items are brought back and forth monthly
- Liturgical Ministers development
 - Offer something virtually and/or by recording in the future?
 - Liked the focus on "welcoming" last year, perhaps focus on "celebration" next in light of the eucharistic revival. Also with an emphasis on singing.
 - Eucharistic prayer as part of the mass – emphasize the prayerfulness and conviction rather than it being a rote activity
 - Can we create a focus on worship series that highlights different aspects of the mass to the parish? Amy has a series with a yellow cover that she referenced that may be useful for a project like this. Amy will bring this topic to the staff for discussion.
- Greater engagement of community at Mass
 - 50-80 people watch the livestream on a weekly basis
 - We are seeing an increase in in-person attendance
 - We will be calling liturgical ministers who haven't returned yet in January
 - This topic could use additional discussion

Discussion: Curious about our discussion around a Welcoming Committee (Olivia)

- Gave Olivia some highlights of our discussion
- Welcome packet for new people visiting/joining our church
- Can we provide some welcoming training/exposure for the entire council?

Discussion: Welcome Alexa

- We had a meet and greet with Alexa who sat in on our council meeting

Future Agenda Items

- Identify activities we'd like worship council to focus on this year and create a calendar identifying the feast/event dates to keep us focused
- Review Hi-C survey data

Action Items

- Amy will bring the idea of a worship series as a discussion item to staff meeting.
- Carryover action items from last meeting

OUTSTANDING

- Nan reach out to your connections regarding welcoming guests back at other parishes to get ideas for us.
- Amy will schedule a separate meeting in early December to tally votes and discuss results; based on John's availability.
- Worship council members are asked to call inactive liturgical ministers personally and invite them back. This will happen after the holidays in January.
 - Amy will put together a list of liturgical ministers to call and script for us to use.
 - Anyone who isn't comfortable participating in a call campaign to liturgical ministers, email Amy by Friday.

COMPLETE

- ✓ Invite Alexa to attend a future meeting to get to know her
- ✓ John reach out to your connections regarding welcoming guests back at other parishes to get ideas for us.
- ✓ Amy will discuss with staff ways to entice parishioners to attend the ministry fair (i.e. doughnuts at tables, drawing for door prize, etc.)
- ✓ Council members are asked to volunteer to staff info tables after mass the weekends of Nov 12-13 and 19-20. If you didn't sign up at the council meeting, email Amy with your choice.
- ✓ Amy will send out the final three COVID proposals to the worship committee in advance of the ministry fair.
- ✓ ALL – think about how we can get people to visit the ministry fair
- ✓ Amy add goals and action items to standard agenda
- ✓ Amy get wifi password for Cassandra for next meeting
- ✓ Assist with the creation of the COVID artwork parish feedback poll.

Worship Council Meeting Summary for Bulletin

The Worship Council reviewed plans for Advent and Christmas celebrations. We are delighted by the parish response to the COVID artwork proposals and will collate feedback in December. We brainstormed some ideas to encourage deeper engagement with the mass by both liturgical ministers and the larger Lumen Christi community.

Submitted by Cassandra Swan 11/15/22