

Spiritual Life Commission

2024 Annual Report, November 25, 2024

Members: Sue Boitos, Carlene Gahrs, Maryanne Heidemann, Julie Kysela, Maxine Sayre, Judy Tressler, Wayne McKay

Wayne McKay is the Governing Board representative. He has staffed the sound board, the live-streaming and the in-sanctuary sound. It is a huge responsibility for which he is to be highly commended.

Julie Kysela, Sue Boitos and Maryanne Heidemann have planned, prepared and cleaned up for Communion using either prepared chalices or arranging for intinction (dipping). Maryanne has coordinated Communion plans with supply pastors and obtained liturgists and ushers. We are using three ushers per Sunday and planning a month at a time.

We cooperated in planning ecumenical services for Maundy Thursday and Good Friday with Immanuel Lutheran, First Methodist and St. Andrews Episcopal and helped with an Easter brunch. We have changed the paraments as appropriate. We also arranged for the outdoor service and potluck at Northend Park in July.

The ecumenical book group continues to meet every month or six weeks, sometimes via Zoom. There are usually twelve members at the meetings.

Linda Rinehart has done a wonderful job of decorating the sanctuary for the seasons. We are planning to decorate the church for Advent and Christmas on December 7. I am deeply grateful for the dedication of our members. They are amazing!

Submitted by Maryanne Heidemann

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