NUMC Ministries Council – 05/21/2025

NEXT MEETING: June 18, 2025

In attendance: Carol TL, Eric Lekberg, Brandon Wallace, Eric G, Benjamin Lekberg Allen McCormack, Mary Larkins, Heidi Horton, Darren CW, Lydia Shaw, Angie Kattmann, Jill Moffett



Promotional Video - Doshia Stwart and 40 West Digital production - 2-3 minutes

Updates -

Sacred Place Challenge

- 250000 matching grant for Indiana Landmark
- All Gifts needed by September 1
- All work completed by January 30
- Amount Raised to Date: \$232,938.78, does not include Trustees \$62000

Faith Works through Love (Gal 5:6) Stewardship Campaign

- For NON-Pledged contributions to annual budget
- Contractor: Becca Choate, advised by Doshia, Robin, and Shannon
- Memorial Day through Labor Day
- Only used for Programmatic funding
- Diverse mix of people- regular attenders, non-attenders, etc.

Where are we financially -Nancy Ricketts says "On Target"

Staff

- Jen's due date is late June
- Maura Varian, part-time administrative assistant and she is cross-training
- Duke intern Haven Emery Hospitality Committee bought her T-shirt
- Nancy is very carefully documenting all financial procedures to prevent future issues
- Marie Powell is helping review monthly financial reports before distributing them to the finance committee and board of directors
- Jeff Linnan will be back in the building full-time next week (5/27)

Reflection

Land Development Discernment

2017 Plan from Church Conference

- Affordable housing and a grocery store
- Applied for Tax Credits and denied 3 times.
- Partner: F&C

2022 Plan

Grocery Store and Affordable Apartments

- Partner: Mapleton FC Dev Corp
- Requires acquiring ACE Hardware
- ACE Hardware owes NUMC money due to environmental issues
- Awaiting signature on insurance claim
- Can't sell the building without sign-off on agreement
- Negotiations continue

2024 John Edgar's visit (Hamilton Event)

There are other ways to finance this, might not need a grocery store

2025 Possible vision - 39th and Illinois

- 1st floor commercial/Office
- 2nd and 3rd Affordable Apartment
- Maybe Pharmacy/Urgent Care?

3 Land Management Questions

- 1. Should we move on from the vision of a grocery store?
 - Hard to part with it
 - Medical would make it better, more consistent with our mission
 - It would preserve the view of the church from 38th Street.
- 2. Should the site be on the north side of Ace Hardware? Yes
- 3. How do we feel about expanding our parking lot along 38th Street? Yes (with Rain Garden EWG)

3 BIG Questions (Impact focused, not programming)

Assignment: Throughout the year collect examples for each question and share them with your assigned staff person

- 1. Where are you seeing people awakening to God?
 - Jill Thinks about the people coming to Bread and Bowl new stirrings of conversation and faith. Interest in female pastor. 2 or 3 people this week talked about trying out the service.
 - b. Brandon Little individual conversations with children and youth. Baptisms, Rededication. Connecting the dots.
- 2. Where are you seeing people connecting to one another in the Spirit?
- 3. Where are you seeing people fulfilling their calling to follow Christ?

MC Fall Visioning

September

- 4 Farmers Market
- 7 Worship Without Walls
- 14 8:30A Service Returns to Sanctuary
- 21 Sound Bath w/Irena Warriner, 6PM (C&N)
- 28 Fall Festival

October

- 5 Creation Care Sunday
- 5 Blessing of the Animals
- 17-19 Youth Fall Retreat
- 19 UWF Pie Sales/Soup Sales
- 26 UWF Pie Sales/Soup Sales
- 26 Stewardship Sunday
- 26 Trunk or Treat

November

November Collection – Dignity Drive (Period Drive)

- 1 All Saints Sunday
- 9 Health & Healing Sunday (with Donor Sunday content)

- 9 Self-Care for Caregivers NOON
- 16 Hamilton Event Women's Health
- Rev. Katie Zeh speaker, Indiana Bishop Tracy S. Malone preaching
- 21 Family Thanksgiving Feast and Game Night
- 23 UWF Pie Delivery
- 23 Adoption Sunday with Brunch (W &
- A with Brandon to organize)
- 26 Thanksgiving Eve Service
- 27 Thanksgiving Day
- 30 First Sunday of Advent
- 30 Advent Festival

December

- 7 Second Sunday of Advent
- 14 Third Sunday of Advent
- 14 Youth Progressive Dinner
- 21 Fourth Sunday of Advent
- 21 Longest Night Service
- 24 Christmas Eve (Wednesday)
- 28 Single service at 11A

Timeline (Backwards):

- Published for Sept
- Distribute at the end of August
- Pinned down by the beginning of August.

Words of Welcome

- Have a LOT of openings
- We need people to sign up for it. Please send it to your committees.

https://tinyurl.com/NUMC-Words

