

1. Established a mission statement for the group, a draft of which Randy sent out previously. We made one revision to his draft, which was to delete "congregational care" from our responsibilities and instead create a separate team for that duty, which has already been identified as a list of people PJ and you created at the staff meeting as potential phone callers.
2. Approved an "Application for Gathering" sheet Cindy had prepared for small groups (<10) that wish to meet at the church. The application is a list of safety protocols the group must follow. The sheet also contains an attendance list of participants so we can start creating a tracking record just in case....
3. Decided to not allow funerals inside the building for the near future. PJ mentioned one family in particular that has approached him. He will ask if the family would conduct their funeral at the grave site instead, which is how other churches area handling funeral requests.
4. Delayed consideration of resuming worship inside the sanctuary in the near future but decided we could conduct outside worship safely. We'll start talking about safety protocols for outside worship next week.
5. Reviewed the MDH safety protocols for churches intending to re-open and decided as one of our first tasks to begin creation of our own "preparedness plan" using the MDH protocols as a guide. It's actually the first required task of the protocol for re-opening. We divided up the MDH sections and assigned some of us to begin working on separate sections.

PJ made an interesting comment, which was preference of the phrase "reentering church" rather than "reopening church." It's more positive, emphasizes the point that we never closed, and better describes the path we're on.

Next meeting: next Thursday at 7 pm, outside, north lawn. Some of us are slightly uncomfortable about going inside so I'm case of inclement weather we mostly would resort to Zoom.