

Covenant News

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FROM THE PASTOR

Worship for All

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The Christian Education Ministry has been at work, this year, innovating our children's programming to follow a "faith formation" model. This month, it will include the addition of a new staff person. All-ages worship will now take place every first Sunday of a month, rather than only every fifth Sunday (quarterly). And those of us who design the worship services have been imagining how better to experience God's presence among us in worship.

So, scripture will be told or retold in new ways – less like readings and more like lessons. They will still be included in the bulletin, as we have been doing since the pandemic struck, but worshipers may not hear them exactly as they appear on the page.

Sermons may become more interactive, with suggested responses or questions directed at worshipers (especially younger ones).

And we are looking at the possibility of moving from our current model of announcers opening and closing worship, to one of liturgists who offer a layperson's perspective. How? you may ask.

Our dear friend the Rev. Joanna D'Agostino, pastor of Lakeside Congregational Church near Cleveland, Ohio, long ago recommended to me the works of the Rev. Molly Phinney Baskette, current pastor of the First Congregational Church of Berkeley, California. In her books, *Real Good Church: How our church came back from the dead, and yours can too* and *Standing Naked Before God: The art of public confession*, Pastor Molly writes of how the First Congregational Church of Somerville, Massachusetts, adopted practices that opened themselves to each other and to newcomers. These practices in turn created a spiritual atmosphere that broadened their appeal and attractiveness, thus growing the church from fifty to three hundred members, "slowly and gracefully," as she characterizes it.

When people ask Pastor Molly, "What's the one thing you did to turn things around?" her answer is, "to make space for telling the truth about our lives." This has taken shape through their liturgist program, a series of people who assist in the leadership of worship each Sunday. Somerville's liturgists (and, I imagine Berkeley's now, as well as Joanna's church liturgists and those of other churches with which I am acquainted) take part in the creation of the "confession" portion of their worship services, composing the introduction to each prayer of confession as well as the concluding "words of assurance."

"This is the time in our service," each begins, "when we tell our stories." And then they do – some of them humorous, some poignant, some addressing the challenge of being a person of faith in an increasingly secular-focused world. They speak from the heart about a time when they came to know that God was with them on their sometimes questionable life-journey.

I'll be meeting with our current announcers and any others of you who might be interested in participating in such a program here, on Sunday, March 6, in a 2 o'clock Zoom meeting. Watch for more information about this gathering, coming soon.

Peace

Pastor Dave Denison



WORSHIP NOTES

Worship in February will include a new series on the 6th, 13th, and 20th – *“The Resurrection and You.”* It’s kind of about the afterlife. I discovered that the lectionary series for the next few weeks includes passages from 1 Corinthians 15. In this chapter the apostle Paul is apparently answering questions (challenges, really) from the church members at Corinth about what life on earth and death on earth can mean, since the Resurrection had thus far only happened for Jesus. As more and more Christians were dying, and because it seemed as though the Second Coming was not happening according to the schedule that the apostles had guessed, the faithful were feeling unsettled and maybe even disappointed.

We are in the midst of a “season” of our own church in which we are seeing a stunning number of “homegoing” among our siblings in Christ. We are asking questions and praying for clarity about this time in our mutual life. It will be good for us to explore together some of the spiritual searching that Paul and the Corinthians were doing. This is what I will endeavor to do with you.

On February 27th, we will observe Transfiguration Sunday, as we hear again two stories by the author of the gospel of Luke – those of Jesus’ Transfiguration (Luke 9:28-36) and the Ethiopian Eunuch (Acts 8:26-39). In the first, Jesus appears new – perhaps as the disciples Peter, John, and James had never seen him before. In the second, the identity of a man does not even faze the deacon Philip. The man, an Ethiopian rendered ritually unclean because he was a eunuch, had purchased “a scroll of the prophet Isaiah” but was mystified by it. Philip did not hesitate either to jump into the man’s chariot as he drove along, to offer a Christian perspective what he was reading. When the eunuch asked, “What is to prevent me from being baptized?” Philip did not hesitate to take him to the water. Both stories draw us to consider the people around us and what underlies their outward appearances. This will be the heart of my message, *“Look Again, Always.”*

Sock and Underwear Drive for
Walbridge School
9:00 am to Noon



First Saturdays drive-thru outreach efforts begin on the morning of **Saturday, February 12, 9am to 12noon (originally scheduled for 2/5 canceled due to snow)** with an **Undergarment Drive - Sizes 2T to Adult accepted (NEW IN-PACKAGE)** - to benefit the Walbridge STEAM Academy (<https://www.slps.org/walbridge>), a Pre-K through 8th Grade elementary school in St. Louis City.

First Saturdays will be a monthly feature of our life together, offering opportunities to help others, work together, and form deeper connections as church members and friends! **Volunteer with this SignUp Genius form** (<https://tinyurl.com/fccwg-2-5>).

As Rev. Elston McCowan describes it, Walbridge School is beset with a host of poverty issues. It serves the Walnut Park East neighborhood (zip 63121), which has the highest rates of unemployment, infant mortality, and sexually transmitted disease, in addition to being a food desert. The undergarment drive is one way we can partner with others to alleviate some of the hardship there - in this case the St. Louis NAACP, Universal African Peoples Association, and Preachers and Communities.

FROM THE MUSIC DIRECTOR



I know we all are reeling over beginning to feel “normal” again during the Christmas holidays and then going into stringent COVID restrictions 10 days later with the surge of the very-infectious omicron strain. The St. Louis Symphony and many ensembles (our own Chancel Choir included) suspended operations for the remainder of January and are cautiously eyeing the COVID numbers daily ready to start up operations as soon as it is safe to do so. I am an eternal optimist, so I am hoping to go through with our Canterbury Bells leading our Sunday Service on February 20.

If you love choral music, February 20 is also the day the renowned St. Louis Chamber Chorus will grace our sanctuary with a Valentine’s Day program. The Chamber Chorus combines outstanding acoustics

with originality and excellence of its presentations and has established an enviable reputation as the Midwest’s premier a cappella ensemble. This is not a free concert, but in partial thanks to our church they are making 10 tickets available to the congregation free of charge. If you want to attend this excellent concert and avail yourself of this bargain, please call the office and put your name and number of tickets you will need on our list. Once these 10 slots are gone, they are gone! If you miss this opportunity, you can still buy tickets online (\$30 each) at Tickets | The Saint Louis Chamber Chorus. Online ticket sales will end at 9am on the day of the concert. They have enacted COVID protocols that mirror the other major arts organizations and art presenters to proof of vaccination, mask up, and observe good distancing practices.

I am hoping that our restrictions will ease in February and the Chancel Choir will return soon, but if not, we will still have safe music for you all here at church. Be well and stay safe!

Leon Burke

FROM THE PASTORAL ASSISTANT SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER, NOEL BURKE

We welcome the newest member of our staff, Noel Burke. Noel is the daughter of Leon Burke and is a member of Eliot Unitarian Chapel in Kirkwood. She has a deep passion for children and youth ministry and has dedicated the last 12 years of her life to this mission. As a pastime Noel enjoys watching movies, trying new food and spending time with her pet cats and turtles. Fun fact about Noel is that she has a music background,. Her specialty instruments include Viola (violin) and Steel Drum Pans.

We are excited to have Noel on board!

Halley Kim



MODERATOR'S CORNER

Are we relevant? This is a question that keeps coming to my mind as I read and think about religious organizations as they, and we, are today. In the last year I have been overwhelmed by columns, articles, blogs, podcasts, and interviews, about “self-care.” Nothing that I write here should be construed as diminishing the importance of making sure that each of us seeks to be at our best. What concerns me is that in ninety-nine percent of what I hear and read--follow a Mediterranean diet, exercise daily, maintain a social life, meditate, think positively-- there is no mention of spirituality and religious practice. Sunday morning has become a time for dog walking, biking, jogging, sports teams practice and competition, Amazon deliveries, hence, just like any other day of the week. It would appear that the Third Commandment is no longer relevant, but are we?

As I continued reading I found some consolation and hope. In a recent addition of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch a wellness feature offered “Seven Tips for Healthy Living.” Number 7 was “Develop a Spiritual Practice.” It continued with: “Believing in something ‘bigger’ – whether through organized religion, or not—has been shown to positively affect one’s health and well-being. . . Like with anything else, spirituality too sometimes requires practice.”

I also took notice of the following in an article written by Jill Lapore, Professor of American History at Harvard, who frequently writes for The New Yorker. Recently she wrote an article on “burnout” and observed:

“The louder the talk about burnout, it appears, the greater the number of people who say they’re burned out: harried, depleted, and disconsolate. What can explain the astonishing rise and spread of this affliction? Declining church membership comes to mind. In 1985, seventy-one per cent of Americans belonged to a house of worship, which is about what that percentage had been since the nineteen-forties; in 2020, only forty-seven per cent of Americans belonged to an institution of faith. Many of the recommended ways to address burnout—wellness, mindfulness, and mediation (‘Take time each day, even five minutes, to sit still,’ Elle advises) –are secularized versions of prayer, Sabbath-keeping, and worship.”

How do we help others, as well as reaffirm our own commitment, to see worship, prayer, participation in a faith community, as behaviors that enhance wellness? How do we demonstrate to the growing group of “nones”, identified by a recent survey of the Pew Research Center, that religion—church—is more than reciting a creed, it is an excursion into a deeper, more meaningful life not as self-centered as the term “self-care” suggests?

We cannot be reminded too often of the words from the “Peace Prayer of Saint Francis of Assisi”: “grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive. . . .” We gain peace, not by going into ourselves, but by giving of ourselves to others.

There is a reason why our worship space is termed a “sanctuary.” Sanctuary: a place of refuge, a place of safety amidst the stresses and turmoil of daily life. We offer ways to give to others; we offer consolation and support to others in their time of need; we seek to live lives of tolerance and love; we offer magnificent meditative moments; we offer an opportunity to leave the smallness of our own selves and look to “something bigger.” We provide sanctuary.

We are relevant. We offer habits of mind and behaviors important to the wellbeing of individuals and society. Let us rejoice in who and what we are. We, “who are called by God”, are more relevant than ever.

The pages that follow detail many of the activities of our church that make us relevant. We are busy; we are engaged; we need your help in proclaiming “in word and deed the love of Christ.”

Joan Musbach, Moderator

2022 BENEVOLENCE GIVING – PANDEMIC STYLE

Benevolence Giving Kickoff is Sunday March 6, 2022. The Giving Store will be back and will operate from March 7-18, closing at noon on March 18.

The Benevolence Auction Committee is making plans for our second virtual auction event. Last year's highly successful auction has proven to us that the generosity of First Congregational Church can overcome a pandemic and allow us to support the agencies that depend on us in this stressful time.

To that end, we are again seeking your help. The Giving Store needs donations of your goods, services you can provide, vacation homes you can share, gift cards, and perhaps more we haven't even dreamed of. Think computer support, rides to doctor's appointments, teaching a skill or more. These things not only result in monetary donations but make us connected with each other in significant ways during a time when we are more isolated than we would choose to be.

Please give your donations some careful thought as a part of your commitment to this Christian Community.

Here are a few of the wonderful organizations that our donations help to support.

Webster Rock Hill Ministries is a Christian help center and neighborhood food pantry serving the communities of Rock Hill and Webster Groves. The WRHM food provides both perishable and non-perishable food items, grocery store vouchers and referral to other resources to alleviate hunger in our community. This has been a tremendous need and has only increased during the pandemic. In addition, the agency provides clothing, home repairs and other services. Our church helped to start this organization.

International Institute of St. Louis is the community's immigrant service and information hub. Programs and services for immigrants, their families and the wider community are locally and nationally acclaimed. The organization connects new arrivals with first-touch services to engage foreign-born with the community. Recently, our church provided a contribution and a donation of gift cards to help with Afghan families as they attempt to make a new life in our area.

Shepherd's Center provides resource center services, transportation and helping hands to assist individuals 55 and older. In addition, they provide many opportunities for people to get together and enjoy their community such as exercise classes, day trips and clubs. Services are provided through a network of volunteers. First Church continues to be one of the sponsoring congregations as it has been since its beginning.

Your donations help with these and several other organizations.

Questions?

Contact a committee member. We would all be happy to talk with you!

Jeanene Harris, Joan Musbach, Jane Porchey and Kay Roush



BENEVOLENCE COMMITTEE ABOUT BEYOND HOUSING

Beyond Housing is the culmination of a housing program started in 1975 by the Presbytery of St. Louis. It has long since become a 'nationally recognized community development organization dedicated to creating a stronger, more equitable St. Louis for all.'

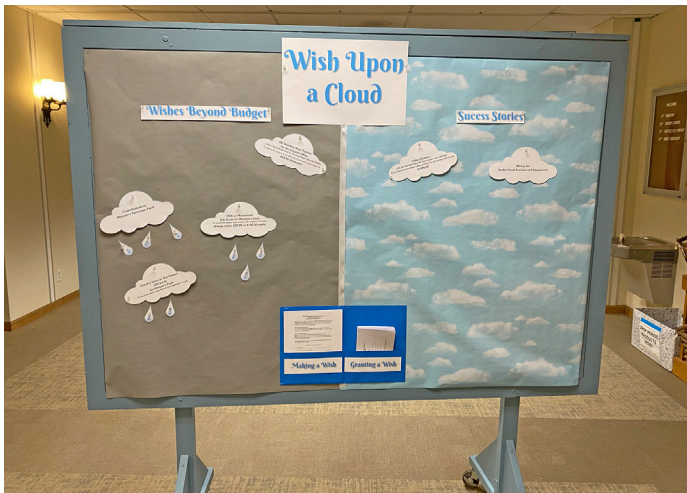
"Our comprehensive model is built on the understanding that strengthening families and transforming communities isn't simple—it's complex and requires a comprehensive, multi-pronged effort," as is stated on their website.

Their current project in Pagedale incorporates all of the required components for a thriving community, including jobs and education. They also have rehabbed at least two houses for families in Webster Groves.

The President and CEO, Chris Krehmeyer, has been there for 28 years and is still going strong.

For more information check out: beyondhousing.org

WISH UPON A CLOUD A PROGRAM FOR OFF-BUDGET PROJECTS



Are there ways you believe the program or facilities of First Church can be enhanced to improve our congregational experience? Projects might be enhancement of the music program or Christian Education ministries; items to improve convenience for members or staff; repair or upgrade of church property, etc.

You Can Make These Happen!

A member or friend of First Congregational *can suggest and/or fund* a specific project, either **partially or in full**. Such one-time tax-deductible gifts will be in addition to an annual pledge.

To Suggest a Project

If you would like to submit a project proposal, you can grab a form off the board, or download one from our website at <https://firstchurchwg.org/donate/wuac>. You can either email the form to: admin@firstchurchwg.org, mail it in, or turn them in to the office and we will pass them on to the appropriate Ministry's chair for approval.

To Fund a Project

Select an approved project from the "**Wish Upon A Cloud**" Board. Then, donate toward that Wish either partially or in full. You can pay for the project with a check or through our website's Donate page (use the dropdown menu to find *Wish Upon a Cloud*). Be sure to include the item or project in the Note section of your check or the online donation form.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Below are the church operating results for the eleven months ending November.

Statement of Financial Activities

	2021	2020	Budget	Change to Prior Year	Change to Budget
Income				Higher/(Lower) Income	
Pledges and Gifts	\$ 325,424	\$ 356,580	\$ 288,750	\$ (31,156)	\$ 36,674
Transfer from Endowment	130,000	110,000	237,417	20,000	(107,417)
Benevolence	23,527	23,934	13,750	(407)	9,777
CARES Act PPP	62,300	-	-	62,300	62,300
Use of Space and Miscellaneous	40,440	30,915	43,189	9,525	(2,749)
Interest Income	17,482	18,247	10,633	(765)	6,849
Total Revenue	599,173	539,676	593,739	59,497	5,434
Expenses				(Higher)/Lower Expense	
Human Resources Expense	\$ 395,895	\$ 356,567	\$ 394,472	(39,328)	(1,423)
Facilities and Finance Expense	\$ 135,104	\$ 136,556	\$ 148,661	1,452	13,557
Benevolence Expense	\$ 37,315	\$ 40,319	\$ 29,333	3,004	(7,981)
Christian Education Ministry Expense	\$ 3,446	\$ 1,958	\$ 3,758	(1,488)	312
Parish Life Ministry Expense	\$ 8,286	\$ 2,769	\$ 10,267	(5,517)	1,981
Executive Ministry Expense	\$ 2,186	\$ 914	\$ 6,600	(1,272)	4,414
Total Expenses	582,231	539,083	593,091	(43,148)	10,860
Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	\$ 16,942	\$ 593	\$ 647	\$ 16,349	\$ 16,294

Statement of Financial Position

	2021	2020	Variance
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 123,834	\$ 234,358	\$ (110,524)
Pledges receivable	23,120	-	23,120
Property and equipment	28,536	30,126	(1,590)
Minister housing long term receivable	60,000	60,000	-
Total Assets	\$ 235,491	\$ 324,484	\$ (88,993)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ -	\$ 724	\$ (724)
Unrestricted Designated Funds	1,996	24,159	(22,163)
Restricted funds for:			
Funds in Endowment Trust	45,815	40,309	5,506
Churchyard	36,259	33,760	2,499
Kishlar/Dickens Room Maintenance	53,946	58,096	(4,150)
Temporarily restricted funds for pledges	23,120	20,000	3,120
Memorial Funds	54,827	80,469	(25,642)
Long term liabilities	60,000	122,300	(62,300)
Unrestricted Net Assets	(40,471)	(55,333)	14,861
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 235,491	\$ 324,484	\$ (88,993)

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Three items to note around income:

- Pledge income remains above budget. Pledge income has decreased from prior year some from when pledges have been received and some due to members who are now deceased or left the church. For the full year, pledges and gifts is forecasted to be above the budget, but it is not expected the church will receive as much in pledges and gifts as the church did in 2020.
- In 2021, CARES Act PPP funds of \$62,300 were received and recorded as income.
- The church has transferred \$20,000 more from the Endowment this year compared to last to cover cash flow for payroll. As the statement of financial position shows, cash is down \$110,000 compared to prior year as the church tries to manage the transfer from the Endowment with cash flow needs.

On the expense side, expenses are relatively flat compared to last year except for Human Resource Expenses. The increase in this area reflects that changes the church has made in staffing. Overall expenses are under budget by \$10,860 but may come close to budget for the full year, as F&F wraps up December building projects.

If you have any other questions or want further detail, please let me know.

Thanks

Jennifer Jones, Treasurer

LADY ELECT — FEBRUARY

Tuesday, February 22 in Memorial Hall at 7:00 pm

Masking and social distancing protocols will be observed. Hostesses for the evening will be Judy Borutta and Laura Cooper. Details of arrangements by the hostesses will be sent at a later date. RSVP to Laura Cooper lolaco18@yahoo.com

All are welcome to this gathering. The program for the evening will be presented by Joan Musbach from a series she does for OASIS on Religion and the Founding Fathers. On this occasion, she will be speaking about America's second president, John Adams: *"From Puritan to Unitarian: The Religious Journey of John Adams."* Learn about this interesting man who described himself as "a church going animal."



Charlie Brader – February 5
 Mary Edwards – February 6
 K Wentzien – February 6
 Elyse von Weise – February 8
 Kathy Hill – February 11
 Maggie Hill – February 14
 Erick Falconer – February 16
 Doug Barton – February 15
 Pat Doyle-Grace – February 20
 Martin Mills – February 21
 Halley Kim – February 25
 Sam Craig – February 26
 Derby Mazur – February 28

ADULT EDUCATION FOR FEBRUARY

THREE SESSIONS RELATING TO THE RACIAL DIVIDE IN AMERICA

Sunday, February 20

“Racial Discrimination Embedded in Law and Custom”

The session will be designed to increase our awareness, recognize progress that has been made to change historic wrongs, and areas in which progress awaits. We will meet after worship in the Kishlar Room or on Zoom (<http://bit.ly/JehovahJava>). If coffee fellowship has resumed, bring you coffee and gather about 11:20.

Our presenter will be Rob Good. Rob is a retired high school social studies teacher and an adjunct professor at the University of Missouri—St. Louis. In his 27-year career as a high school teacher Rob focused on issues of equity and inclusion in both the curriculum and the policies and practices of the Ladue school community. He has facilitated diversity workshops and dialogue groups for a wide variety of organizations including the National Conference for Community and Justice—St. Louis, the Episcopal Diocese of Missouri, the YWCA’s Witnessing Whiteness and Focus St. Louis. He has also served on the staff of NCCJ St. Louis’ Anytown Youth Leadership Institute, the Dismantling Racism Institute, and the Inclusion Institute for Educators.

Wednesday, February 23

SAGE will host an afternoon viewing of an address by Heather Cox Richardson ***“Telling the Story of America in UnSettled Times”***

Professor Richardson is speaking to a conference of Missouri history educators. She speaks about the 1619 Project and Critical Race Theory, exploring why they have become polarizing topics. She clarifies the realities of classroom instruction on topics revolving around race. Professor Richardson teaches nineteenth-century American history at Boston College. She is the author of the popular daily newsletter, *Letters from an American* (<https://heathercoxrichardson.substack.com/>), which explores the history behind today’s politics. Her early work focused on the transformation of political ideology from the Civil War to the presidency of Theodore Roosevelt. Her history of the Republican Party, *To Make Men Free* (2014) examines the fundamental tensions in American politics from the time of the Northwest Ordinance to the present.

Viewing of her address will be followed by conversation about the issues raised and perspectives obtained. This gathering will be at 2:00 in the Inglis Room and on Zoom (<http://bit.ly/JehovahJava>).

Sunday, February 27

“Movement Toward a Balanced History Curriculum”

Become aware of changes made in writing about and teaching U. S. History in response to the need for diversity, equity and inclusion in telling our story. Specifically, learn about the Social Studies (History) curriculum adopted by the Webster Groves schools. This session will help you develop an understanding of how the teaching of history has changed since our youth. Joan Musbach will provide information on these topics and facilitate discussion about issues raised. We will meet after worship in the Kishlar Room and on Zoom (<http://bit.ly/JehovahJava>). If coffee fellowship has resumed, bring you coffee and gather about 11:20.

It is strongly recommended that, if possible, you try to attend all of the events in this series.

MLK DAY OF SERVICE – DRIVE THROUGH COLLECTION FOR WEBSTER ROCK HILL MINISTRIES



First Church's Volunteers collected six full carloads of food and personal care items for Webster Rock Hill Ministries on Monday, January 17 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day!



February 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 10:30 AM Staff Meeting 1:00 PM Communications Team - Church Office 6:30 PM Pastoral Relations Committee - Zoom	2 Groundhog Day 9:30 AM Yoga with Jeanene - Inglis Room 6:00 PM - 9:30 PM Bridge Club - Inglis Room	3 6:00 PM Canterbury Bells - Practice	4	5 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM First Saturday Drive-Thru Benefit - East Parking Lot Canceled due to snow
6 Sacrament of Christ's Table 9:00 AM Brown Baggers 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Nursery Care Available 10:00 AM Worship (All Ages) 11:05 AM Coffee Fellowship 12:00 PM Chinese New Year Lunch	7	8 10:30 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM Confirmation Class 6:30 PM Practicing Our Faith - Inglis Room	9 9:30 AM Yoga with Jeanene - Inglis Room 6:00 PM - 9:30 PM Bridge Club - Inglis Room	10 6:00 PM Canterbury Bells - Practice 7:00 PM Scout Troop 301G - Parlor	11	12 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM First Saturday Drive-Thru Benefit - East Parking Lot
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Seek Christ in each. Serve God in all.

MEAL-A-MONTH FEBRUARY

Canned Tuna, in Water • Tuna Helper • Canned Carrots (low or no salt)
Canned Fruit in own juices • Powdered Milk, shelf stable milk, soy milk
Diapers • Diaper Wipes • Formula with Iron

MISSING SOMEONE?

Have you been missing someone for a while from worship and other church events? Please, let Pastor Dave Denoon or Mary Edwards, know. Either will be happy to follow up for you.

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