

## **Outreach Committee Meeting Minutes**

8-14-19, 6:30 pm

Madison Campus

Members present - Beth Ringgenberg, Marilyn Kile, Kristi Jones, Carol Ringeisen, Diane Mueller, Colin Grove, Susie Petta and Becky Baumbach.

1. **Devotion** led by Susi Petta

2. **Review of Purpose statement, Keys to ministry and Responsibilities sent to the Board for approval** - *New name for Outreach Committee – Social Action Ministry Draft Purpose Statement – The purpose of the Social Action Ministry is to live out our Christian faith through collaboration with local and global neighbors. We build relationships that value and empower all people to create positive change through God’s love.*

*Keys to Ministry – With the presence of the Holy Spirit in all of our work, and loving others as Jesus taught in Mathew 25, we work in the following areas: housing, food, clothing, poverty, health care, education, incarceration, violence, immigration, and clean water. Collaboration with other faith based groups and community organizations is a priority in our ministry.*

*Responsibilities – 1) Conduct periodic reviews of all current areas of ministry, 2) Seek and evaluate needs of new areas of ministry and engage when needed. 3) Support ministry groups as needed. 4) Help to recruit ministry team members as needs arise.*

3. **Photos for directory**- All members will post their photo on Breeze or send to Marilyn to be posted on the web site before August 25.

4. **Discussion of Words of Worth program** – Kristi informed us that Community Immigration Law Clinic of Dane County now has 3 attorneys and reviewed the supportive letter writing to immigrants at the border program she described last month. Kristi will talk with Becca about the possibility of this program being a project for AMPed or the high school group, possibly open to the whole congregation. Becky will look up the ELCA statement on immigration.

5. **Ministry Fair on Sunday, September 22, 2019** – Carol and Susie will be at the Madison campus. Diane and Becky will be at the Verona campus. Brochures will be gathered and brought to the next meeting by

- a) Marilyn – Verona, Good Shepherd and Allied food pantries
- b) Beth – Habitat for Humanity and Orchard Ridge Adopt a School
- c) Donna – Clothes Closet and Loaves and Fishes
- d) Carol – Jail Ministry
- e) Pastor Joe – Holy CoW
- f) Chris Brinkman – Feed My Starving Children
- g) Colin will arrange for representatives from Team World Vision to be present

**6. Topics for next meeting, September 11, 6:30pm Madison campus**

- a) Board response to vision statement
- b) Letter writing to immigrants program
- c) Ministry Fair