

Present: Kristi Jones, Julie and Dennis Ahnen, Kimberly King, Pr Dara, Rick Thomas

Opening Prayer-Advent theme/devotion

-Climate Change/Caring for the earth conversation: what has been done? what else could be done?

-Ideas re garden-rain barrels? composting at Madison? Raised beds at Madison?

-Making COW and coffee hour more sustainable?

-Conversations about both little things and big future dreams (solar? Verona prairie?)

-Lutherans Restoring Creation materials for worship, etc-Creation-focused worship services at GS...Earth Day or other?

-Plan: Kimberly will talk to Diane/Tim Hughes and Pr Sherryl to find out status of Creation Care team. Invite them to a future SAC mtg?

-January Outreach month-brainstorming in process, formal planning to start in November. Use as opportunity to recruit new SAC members and hopefully new volunteers for Food Pantry, etc. Bless/honor some of the people from neighborhoods/community orgs who are doing such important work.

-Start inviting people from different ministry teams (food pantry, quilters, etc) to SAC mtgs to talk briefly about their work and how we can support them. Pr Dara/Rick to make a list of people.

-RIC budget request for some type of banner: unanimous "yes" vote to support. The committee would prefer the banners be outside of the church with the understanding that we may not be able to leave them up. Rick discussed why they may have to come down if we get a complaint from a neighbor. City will enforce only if there is a complaint.

-Feed My Starving Children-date 3/8-3/9/24

-Food pantry, clothes closet, KNC Housing fund-high use because so much need in community. Christmas appeal for KNC.

Lord's Prayer