

## **Special “Town Hall” Discussion Meeting**

### **Emmanuel Ev. Lutheran Church**

**Sunday, September 13, 2020 following Worship Service**

Attendance: 19

#### **1. WOMEN OF EMMANUEL**

- Will not be meeting at this point
- Mites are very much needed as we have not collected this special offering for June or September. Please use your own personal blank envelopes marked “Mites” and consider giving leaving your donation in the offering plate at church. Also if anyone wishes to leave a donation for WOE’s General Fund, they may do so in the same manner. Just mark your blank envelope accordingly so that Jean knows what it is for.
- Thanksgiving Table – There will be no formal display this year, however we are encouraged to donate items still by bringing them to church the Sunday before Thanksgiving (Oct. 4) and leaving them in bags/boxes in the Narthex area, ready for donation for the Wilmot Family Resources Food Bank.
- LWML Sunday – October 4 will still go ahead, but no readers or ushers needed.

#### **2. QUILTING**

- 8 people are interested
- No start date set yet
- Masks to be worn
- 2 Quilts set up and people social distanced and spaced apart
- No lunch
- Ladies responsible for disinfecting railings, door handles and washrooms after

#### **3. BIBLE STUDY**

- Upstairs
- People to sit in same bench for Bible Study as Worship Service socially distanced and masked
- No coffee or treats
- Bring your own Bible if possible (Bibles will be available if needed)
- Starting September 20 (next Sunday)

#### **4. MID WEEK GROUPS**

- Any group meeting at the church during the week will be responsible for disinfecting areas used (i.e. railings, door handles, pews, washrooms, etc.)

## **5. COMMUNION**

- Pastor to wear mask during entire communion portion of liturgy and hand sanitizer used and stand approx. 6 feet apart when speaking.
- Wafers and individual cups ONLY
- Pastor will set up and take down (no altar guild needed at this time)
- Will begin on September 27
- No hymns to be sung during communion
- Communion portion will not be recorded due to length of time of video and privacy
- Warren is looking into possibly making a larger tray for wine for cups to be spaced further apart from each other
- Pastor will drop wafer “bread” into our hands (with tongs)
- Everyone would take their own cup from the tray unless they prefer Pastor to hand it to them.

## **6. FELLOWSHIP**

- We will not be having any fellowship at this time

## **7. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

- a. Sunday School -- Not scheduled until regular attendance resumes
- b. Confirmation Class: One student enrolled--will take place in the Sunday School room by Pastor

## **8. SEATING**

- Discussion regarding future increase in attendance and adjusting seating distance.
- We have had a max of 27 people, but average is 22 for attendance since we've returned to church.
- We have yet to need the Narthex for seating.
- Rodney or Jantzi family are only allowed in balcony due to recording, etc. (they usually wait to be seated downstairs until everyone else has in case a bench is needed downstairs) That hasn't happened yet.
- For now we will leave spacing distance the same.

## **9. VIEWS ONLINE**

- There was an error in the bulletin recently that said we had zero view from the week before. There was actually 17. Views vary and sometimes increase a few weeks later. Also keep in mind there may be more than one person viewing in the same household but this only counts as one view.

## **10. PATIENCE**

- We appreciate everyone's patience as these are trying times.