



Maintain/Renew/Imagine
Strategic Planning Team Meeting # 9
June 8, 2016 Minutes

Present: Marge Nordin, Betty Chrestenson, Deacon Ron Butler, Joe Mussulman, Pat Wegner, Fr. Ed Hislop, S. Mary Jo Quinn, Marilyn Rodriguez, Rita O'Neil, Barb Dryden, Joe Licitra, Jim McDonald, David Neu, Caroline Pickolick

Fr. Ed opened the meeting with prayer. Ruth Licitra was complimented on her complete notes from the last gathering at Carl's office on May 23.

The proposed architectural drawing for the front entrance to the Church were reviewed. The primary change was the placing of the outside "tower cross" above the redesigned front entrance and a "re-shaping" of the current tower/cross. All agreed that this was a welcome adaptation. The entry pictures present a clean, up-dated look to the church.

The team then reviewed a suggested architectural rendering of the interior worship space. It was noted that this is only a beginning possibility. The team then discussed and reviewed possible designs for the Worship Space.

Suggestions were made for moving forward with the planning process.

- There is a huge need for more all-parish education (Liturgy 101).
- **Fr. Ed and S. Mary Jo will prepare sessions for July 20 and 27.**
- Carl will be asked to develop more options for the worship space.
- Ken Griesmer will not be invited back until after educational sessions.
- **ALL-PARISH MEETINGS** on proposed *plans* will occur *after* educational sessions.

Reminders to emphasize:

- We are only at the beginning of this dialogue. NOTHING has been decided.
- The primary focus of our work is to continue our embrace of the vision and principles of the Second Vatican Council, particularly the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy and subsequent Church Liturgical Documents.
- Education programs will reflect Vatican II theology, particularly the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy and subsequent Church liturgical Documents.
- Education programs will build upon the last Faith Formation program.
- Committee members agree to support the consensus reached by the Strategic Planning Team amongst parishioners and at all parish meetings. While the team participates in full parish discussions, the primary role of the team at such meetings is to listen to the ideas and concerns expressed by parish members. Those ideas and concerns are addressed by the team at the team meetings.

Organ update

Carroll College may offer a pipe organ to Blessed Trinity. The organ is of high quality and of great value. **Parish Pastoral Council and Finance Council has agreed to accept the gift of the organ, if it is offered.**

S. Mary Jo informed the committee that as of this date no formal offer of the organ has come from Carroll, though the gift is anticipated. **All concurred that we should enthusiastically receive the gift of this organ.**

She is hoping to arrange a meeting soon to follow up with a Carroll representative.

Overview of the Meeting:

1. Response to new information presented by Carl at the last meeting (May 23).
2. Need to request additional options for worship space designs from Carl.
3. Meetings set for July 20 and 27 to enhance theological and liturgical understanding of Vatican II design concepts. All parish members will be invited and encouraged to attend.
4. Possible Organ for Blessed Trinity

Submitted by Caroline Pickolick, acting recorder.