

Participants: Pastor Luci Sesvold, Larry Dalton, Kitty Ruosch, Kristin Soland, Dave Bersagel

Unable to attend: Jim Welander, Sue Reget

Topic	Discussion	Actions
Devotions - Kitty	Kitty shared a devotion regarding gratitude	
We Make The Way By Walking (Chapters 35-38)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Larry shared that on page 194 liked the section that talks about “what’s yours Is mine some people say and I want to steal it. What’s mine is mine, some people say and I want to keep it. What’s mine is God’s we are learning to say and I want to use it for the common good. We call that attitude stewardship” • Discussed the concept of stewardship and concept of learning below our means – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Discussed stories: Push in the past about finances percentages 10, 10, 80. Giving to the church, saving, and setting money aside. How at times some can give too much. We do need to pay for our needs, and then move on from there. ○ Susie Orman and her story on tithing and how some should not give, but those that are able and have more, should give more. ○ Also have stories on don’t worry about the future, all the lilies of the field, story of saving up the food, and the person in the text passes away the next day. Some of these may have been more focused on the anxiety and not causing stress. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Living in community has made this more possible (example: gleaning the fields for the widows). • Learned that disciples are learned to be apprentices and once they complete internship, they become an apostle • Discussed the story of the earthquake and how the people stayed. 	Discussed that before our next meeting, we should each read chapters 39-43 in the book
June Grace and Gratitude Theme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Themes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May: Gratitude ○ Jun: Our health ○ Jul: maybe something about caring for your neighbor? ○ Aug: ○ Sep: Creation ○ Oct: Money “Live Generously” 	Jim please update the Google document
Live Generously	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gretchen has been able to connect with the staff who have the materials for Live Generously. 	

	<p>Which materials we needed other than the <i>Giving</i> magazine (this is available of of ELCA.org):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ We need the companion resource that goes with Live Generously. This includes many additional resources. ○ We also need the starter kit as has bulletin covers, inserts, meditation for reflection, etc. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Believe that last 2 years these were put in the eJourney. We also have videos that were shared each week. These were released in an email each Thursday as well. Need more dicussion on if we want a physical bulletin insert this year. ● There are also 4 worship starter videos available as well. Unsure if these are free, or content. Will need to get these videos and then watch these for content to see if these would be good to be shown. 	
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Barb and Larry have been traveling back and forth to the cities to see their children. Shared that they will be moving to St. Paul in June of this year, so will be looking for a new church home. ● We will miss you Larry, and thank you for all that you have done for Journey Lutheran Church and this committee! 	
Next meeting dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Would like the next meeting to be on June 26th after church 	
Volunteers for next meeting	<p>Volunteers for next meeting were determined:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Opening devotion: Kristin ● Closing prayer: Jim (back up Pastor Luci) 	
Closing Prayer – Dave	<p>Closing prayer was shared</p>	

Thanks everyone! Kristin Soland