

June 23, 2021 Session Meeting Highlights

The following are the highlights from the June 23, 2021 Session meeting:

- This Week's FPCA News for June 25, 2021 summarized Session's approval for worship this summer using the theme of *One Worship, One Church: A Summer* of *Being Together* for July 4 through Labor Day weekend. It also outlined the changes that Session approved in lifting a number of the Covid-19 restrictions as we return to active use of our building.
- As part of worship this summer the plan is to experimentally remove the first six rows of pews to allow greater flexibility for experimenting with different ways to structure and provide music during our worship service. Folding chairs from Fellowship Hall will be utilized in lieu of pews for the portion of this area not needed for the worship service/music.
- Session is looking into the feasibility and cost of installing screens in the Sanctuary to allow for the use of some elements of the virtual worship service we have experienced over the past fourteen months when we could not worship in person.
- With Pam Weiss's (Director of Adult Faith Formation) retirement, Session approved the formation of a Faith Formation Task Force (Taylor Hall, Dave Haight, Chad Hess, Lois Henseler, Gary Stone, Kelli Holzman, and Marijo Taylor). This Task Force will work with the three pastors (especially Pastor Taylor) to create this Fall's adult faith formation program. This group will also update the Director of Adult Faith Formation job description and eventually serve as the hiring team for Pam's replacement.
- The church's financial position is improving. Currently, actual revenues (pledges, loose plate offering, and etc.) are only about \$15,000 below the budgeted revenue through May. Actual expenditures remain below budgeted expenditures through May. Thank you for your generous contributions!

If you have any questions of concerns that you want to ask/convey to Session, please email them to session@fpcallentown.org.