

Report of Pastor for Engagement

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Podcast

We are having fun with the podcast. Since our last council meeting, we have recorded two episodes about the Mother's Day and Forgotten Festivals in our church calendar.

Worship

Staff met on May 6 to discuss the future of worship at Trinity. What will our "new normal" be? We also discussed future worship themes for the summer.

Covid-19 Task Force

The task force continues to meet every other week or as needed to discuss the situation surrounding Covid-19. The team met on April 13 and 27.

First Call Theological Education

I met with my first call colleagues on Thursday, April 22. We were also joined by our synod's Director for Family and Youth Ministry, Charlie Roberts. We had a fascinating conversation surrounding the state of church and young people. We looked at a report written by the Springtide Research Institute, who interviewed and did surveys of young people ages 13-25. I forwarded this information to our Faith Formation Task Force in hopes that this report could aid them in their work.

Looking Ahead

I am looking ahead to the fall. I've asked staff to contemplate what are our pressing volunteer needs might be as we hopefully approach more "normal" life this fall. My hope is that we can have some of this volunteer positions filled before September. Additionally, I am thinking about what our next week of service might look like and Trinity's next new member class.

Personal Note

I took two days of vacation to celebrate our first wedding anniversary. We spent the weekend hiking and enjoying the spring weather!