Opening Prayer by Pastor Liz Frey at 7:00 PM. Others present were: Mary Ellen Hettinger, Facilitator, Mary Haar, Joyce Roy, Patty Wilson, Janis Martinez, Janet Kissinger, and Carol Crowe. Karen Wright was excused for the evening.

Review /Approve Minutes – Nov 2022 meeting – Patty Wilson approved the November 2022 minutes, and Janet Kissinger seconded. The motion carried.

Missions Finances-2023 Budget – Mary Ellen Hettinger will request the final 2023 Missions budget from David Holste. Line item for Tree 4 Hope was reduced by \$500, but the rest of the Missions budget submitted was approved.

ELCA Global Mission Partners

YAGM Program-Quentin Bernhard – The cards we sent were received, and we got a lovely thank you note. Mary Ellen Hettinger asked if there was something specific that he would like that he can share with others. We will get another card for parishioners to sign February 18 and 19.

Missions Partner-Deacon April Trout – Mary Ellen Hettinger noted she doesn't have a partnership number. She is researching this further, but she has emailed April Trout to inform her we would like to sponsor her. Pastor Frey will make inquiries, too.

Missions Publicity – Joyce Roy – Mary Ellen Hettinger thanks Joyce Roy for all the work.

Missions Partner Guatemala/Tree 4 Hope -**Janis Martinez** – There are 10 people that will be traveling to Guatemala this summer. Pastor Jennifer Hope-Tringali is doing a fantastic job putting together bible study that will take place at noon the first three Sundays in March. There will be a virtual meeting in June to provide information about cultural changes. There was a question about being reimbursed for baggage that will need to be checked to take items that have been requested.

The school is doing well, now that it's in session.

December 7 Susan Kern contacted Janis Martinez about correspondence between sponsors and the children.

The Trip will be July 5 through 13. Moses Kavishe is looking into flights. Mary Ellen Hettinger has requested to be informed when the tickets have been purchased.

Mission Projects-Ongoing Current Sewing Ministry- Carol Crowe 2023 Sewing Ministry Reports

January 17th 2023

We started meetings on the 10th and will be meeting from 9 to noon on Tuesdays except for the third Tuesday we meet until around 3 pm.

On the 10th we had 5 ladies, including 2 new to the group from November.

On the 17th, we had 8 ladies come or stop by. We finished the third quilt for 2023, 2 were carried over from November. We have 2 quilts that Carolyn J had made at home and long-arm quilted that need binding. These should be finished by next Tuesday. We have 2 to be tied, which we will have available for Volunteer Fair participants to try tying.

We have 1 quilt that was sandwiched sewn, trimmed and turned ready for top stitching.

We have 6 top kits to be sewn.

This is a good start for the year.

Carol Crowe Sewing Ministry Leader

Old Business -

Giving Tree – The gift cards were mailed. Over \$4000 was received for all the gifts. Thanks to everyone who helped with this.

Good Gifts – Thanks to Karen Wright for putting up the display in the Gathering Space.

New business -

Volunteer /Service Fair- Jan 29,2023 – Pastor Frey provided an update. Mary Ellen Hettinger mentioned she will be at the Missions Team table and is looking forward to recruiting new volunteers.

Lenten Giving- Carol Crowe moved for the designation for the Missions Team portion to be for the support of the orphanage run elder program. Joyce Roy seconded, and the motion carried.

Thinking Ahead-Spring /Summer 2023/ongoing

Chaplaincy program will be transferred to the new Veterans Group that will be forming.

Choose another YAGM partner. We will need to choose someone in May. The new YAGM should come to visit in July.

Quentin Bernhard should be returning in the summer, and we should plan to host him in August and have a luncheon either August 13 or 20.

August 5 & 6 will be Bread weekend to raise money for ELCA World Hunger.

Other business/Comments for the Good of the Order Adjournment - Lord's Prayer 8:10 PM

*Next meeting: March 15,2023