

# MINUTES OF GOOD SHEPHERD ART AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Thursday, January 30, 2025

Members present: Mary Lou Bradley, Sue Edwards, Judi Goodge, Judy Miller, Beth Schenk and Ken Schenk

Members absent: Melanie Baker, Jim Edwards, Sally Sternberg and Nadia Velentina

## OLD BUSINESS:

- **Christmas Decorations** – We received several compliments on the Christmas decorations again this year. Setting up the majority of the Christmas decorations on Saturday with only the committee members and a few others worked well. We received a 9-foot LED pre-lit Christmas tree that we can use next year.
- **Christmas Tree Inventory**
  - O= Narthex
  - A, F, M, N left to right behind stable
  - B, E, K, P, R & S = spare trees. Upon request the school can borrow any of the spare trees.

## NEW BUSINESS:

- **Ash Wednesday Decorations** – Setup for Ash Wednesday will happen on Tuesday, March 4 at 6:30 PM following the 6:00 PM Mass. We will not hang any banners on the front wall. We will use the cans with twigs and stones with purple fabric on the left front corner of the altar platform, ensuring that it is low enough so that it does not block the view to the altar. The tall jug and picture on the easel will be placed at the Baptismal font.
- **Palm Sunday Decorations** – Setup will be on Saturday, April 12 at 9:00 AM. Last year we purchased silk palms to use this year in the vases since the live palm leaves were subpar. We instructed Ruth not to order the decorative leaf palms this year.
- **Easter Decorations** – We will meet on Friday, April 18 at 8:00 AM to arrange the potted flowers in the planters so that they will be ready to be placed in church on Saturday morning. We will use smaller containers this year to help with the watering and maintenance throughout the Easter season. We may try directly planting into the pots rather than placing individual pots in the larger containers. Judy will order the flowers and ferns again this year. We plan to hang the Risen Jesus quilt behind the tabernacle on the front wall. We will meet again on Saturday, April 19 at 8:00 AM to decorate for Easter.
- **Pentecost Decorations** – We will set up for Pentecost on Friday, June 6 at 8:30 AM. Only a few committee members are needed.
- **2025 Timeline for Lent and Easter Setup** – A timeline for Lent, Holy Week and Easter setup is attached to the minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Schenk

## **2025 TIMELINE LENT, PALM SUNDAY, HOLY WEEK, EASTER & PENTECOST SETUP**

Below is a timeline for each activity in preparation for Lent, Palm Sunday, Holy Week, Easter and Pentecost.

**TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 6:30 PM (Following 6:00 PM Mass)** – (Set up for Ash Wednesday) All Committee Members

- Remove palms.
- Hang purple windows on columns in Narthex.
- Set up display on altar platform and Baptismal font.
- Hang twig cross on wall by ambo.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 12, 9:00 AM** – (Set up for Palm Sunday) All Committee members

- Set up palms in Narthex.
- Remove angels by the tabernacle.
- Set palm arrangements next to ambo and tabernacle.
- Hang two red banners, one on either side of the cross.
- Remove vase/ash display.
- Add red fabric to displays.

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, 6:00 PM (after 5:30 PM stations of the cross)** – (Set up for Holy Thursday) Judy, Ken, Beth and Melanie

- Remove the red banners.
- Remove palm arrangements; replace with flower arrangements.
- Remove red fabric.
- Hang Foot Washing carving behind ambo.
- Set up bowl, pitcher and towels arrangement at corner of altar platform.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 18, 8:00 AM** – (Set up for Good Friday and prepare planters) - All Committee Members

- Get cross out of storage and place in confessional.
- Put purple cloth with small rings sewn to fabric that covers cross in confessional.
- Put red fabric at Baptismal font.
- Remove Foot Washing carving above ambo.
- Prepare planters with flowers

**SATURDAY, APRIL 19, 8:00 AM** – (Set up for Easter) All Committee members

- Move angels and other statues back out.
- Remove purple windows in Narthex; replace with Easter swags.
- Hang Easter swag behind ambo.
- Set out flower arrangements.
- Place lamb figures and Good Shepherd picture at Baptismal font.
- Set out table for candles and holders; set out candles and holders.
- Hang Risen Jesus banner behind tabernacle.

**FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 8:30 AM** – (Set up for Pentecost) Some Committee members

- Remove remaining Easter flowers and banner.
- Hang Holy Spirit banner over tabernacle
- Place vases of gladiolas next to tabernacle.