

Beloved Community Meeting Notes

Thursday, April 7, 2022 at 6:30 PM

Attendees: Lorina Goodjoint, Kathy Stewart, Adina Reynolds, John and Leanne Kennedy

Opening Prayer: Lorina Goodjoint

The Team discussed the positives and areas of improvement at the last "Church Cracked Open" the previous Sunday. The microphones did not seem to make participants clearer to the Zoom group. (We discussed going back to the central small speaker and trying that again.) Overall, the discussions went well, participation was lively, but we discussed how to get deeper with the group so that they will tell more of their own personal stories. (Suggestions were made about using small group discussions again, that people may need a smaller group in which to speak). It was also decided that we would hand out a simple survey with specific questions and ask for feedback on their experience, so far.

We also spent a good deal of time discussing the next chapter: 4, "The Church of Empire," which we will be presenting this Sunday, Palm Sunday, April 10. It was decided that Adina will prepare 5 paragraph quotes from the chapter for reading and reflecting. John and Leanne will read them. We are also including a reading of Galatians 3:23-27, as our scripture of the week.

ACTION STEPS:

Adina will get the 5 book quotes to Lorina and then to John and Leanne so they can practice before Sunday.

Kathy will prepare the PowerPoint slides.

ASSIGNMENTS:

Facilitator: Lorina Goodjoint

Opening Prayer: The People

Closing Prayer: The People

Zoom / PowerPoint: Kathy Stewart

Survey: Kathy Stewart

Readings: John and Leanne Kennedy

Timekeeper: John Kennedy

It was noted that there will be no meeting during Holy week, and no class on Easter Sunday, April 17th.

The meeting ended with a lovely prayer by Kathy Stewart at appx 8:30.

Beloved Community Team meeting resumes on Zoom, **Thursday, April 21st at **6:30pm** to plan for the "Church Cracked Open" chapter 5

Church Cracked Open book discussion series returns on **Sunday, April 24th at **11:30am**.

Note respectively submitted by Adina Reynolds.