

Beloved Community Meeting

March 4, 2021

In attendance: Adina Reynolds, Jeff Clapp, Kamau Chege, Kathy Stewart, Lorina Goodjoint

- We discussed the two grant opportunities: *Puyallup Tribe of Indians Charity Trust Board* and *Becoming Beloved Community Grant*
- **Puyallup Tribe of Indians Charity Grant:**
 - What is it that we truly want to come from this grant?
 - We do not want this to be a “one-time” deal. We want this to be an on-going partnership
 - Include a “Follow-up” after the event at the church is done
 - Give a chance for parishioners/community members to reflect and return sharing knowledge
- **Becoming Beloved Community Grant:**
 - What project would we like to do at St. Matthew church on a greater scale?
 - We could do an event around learning about St. Matthew’s history/Cambodian history
 - Invite/connect with other parishes
- We came to this realization that the Beloved Community ministry is not ready to apply to either Grants, we do not want to rush
- We want to expand on:
 - What is our mission and goals as a ministry?
 - What is our vision?
 - What do each of us want out of this ministry?
 - Develop a mission statement that we are all in alignment with
 - Find out what St. Matthew needs first, and then go from there
 - Start a dialogue within St. Matthew where we can openly discuss discrimination, systemic racism, social justice issues
 - Being more visible as a ministry within St. Matthew and welcoming new members to the team
 - **Discuss at our next meeting the above listings (our mission, values, goals, being more visible, welcoming new members)

Next Meeting: **March 18, 2021 at 5pm**