

## **August 15, 2023 Consistory Meeting Highlights**

### **Minister's Report**

- Jeff reported that the Lifelong Learning Team will become the Discipleship Team, and it will be chaired by Alan Taback. Its purpose is to work to promote and oversee new endeavors to help the congregation make and raise up disciples who want to learn more about Jesus as Lord and Savior. Youth programs and Sunday school, previously under the purview of Lifelong Learning, will be overseen by this new team.
- Jeff reported that he is applying to Classis for a grant in the amount of approximately \$3000. This money would go to the Discipleship Team and be designated for outreach programming. A decision from Classis is expected by the end of October.

### **Team Reports**

#### **Properties**

- Jeff expressed his desire to have the Properties Team reconsider their stance on the painting of the lines in the parking lot. He would like to have the lines painted, citing reasons that include safety. Consistory agreed. A letter will be drafted to the Properties Team, asking them to reconsider.

#### **Worship**

- The Worship Team recommended that we go back to serving communion in the pews. The recommendation was accepted, voted on, and approved by Consistory.

#### **Communications**

- The chairs of Sinterklaas are recommending that 80% of the profits from the event be used to help fund the outdoor lighting project. The recommendation was accepted, voted on, and approved by Consistory.

#### **New Business**

- Alan proposed having the sanctuary open for prayer and meditation on weekday mornings. He volunteered to be available to greet people as they come in. Other volunteers will be needed as well. Consistory responded favorably to his proposal. Alan and Jeff will work together to get this started.