**COUNCIL CONNECTIONS FOR April 2023**

**Council Actions and Information**

**Council Continuing Business**

The topics of discussion continue to be composed of the following items: the LEAP partnership for developing our backlot for low-income housing, with considerations for preserving the Community Garden as well as drilling a community well and the personnel committee continues to work with the candidate for the Director of Music Ministry position. Covenant Presbyterian has been using our handbells for some spring music events, one of which will be at King of Glory during the May 21st morning service. The Nominating Committee needs four new members to be appointed – two for one-year terms and two for two-year terms so that in the future, pairs of committee members will rotate on and off this committee.

**2023 King of Glory Council**

Here are some highlights from Pastor Connie’s report to Council: she anticipates upcoming confirmation for Lawson Rocke and Fabrice Ndaitouroum. A confirmation retreat was held on April 22 with visits to the Black History Museum, the Anne Frank Memorial and the Erma Hayman House. Other activities were then hosted in our sanctuary later that afternoon. Holy Week Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services were wonderful as they provided the opportunity to worship with the St Paul Baptist and Covenant Presbyterian congregation members.

Committees will be asked to begin posting their news and meeting minutes on the KoG website. Instructions on how this is done are being sent to all KoG committee members during the month of May.

There is a fundraising request by Katie Vaage, on behalf of Ornella Kero. Ornella has the opportunity to participate in a volunteer program in Thailand this summer. More details will follow on how the congregation can participate.

**Masking**

A continuing item of business on the monthly council agenda for the past year has been review of safe behavior related to pandemic issues. In consideration of Ada County’s caseloads of Covid, RSV and flu, the policy of wearing masks will continue to be **“highly encouraged”** but not required. Thank you for your efforts the past year to enable this community of faith to be together in-person.

**King of Glory 60th Anniversary**

The 60th Anniversary Task Force continues to meet. Watch for displays and celebratory events throughout the year.