# August leadership team meeting highlights

\***Opening Devotional**: Mary Beth led us in a devotional based on the book Until Unity by Francis Chan. We were reminded that God resides in each one of us and that it is important to remember and see that in each other as we interact. We were reminded that we are created to worship, and that it is important to focus on what unites us; the treasure we have in Jesus. Our devotion time was interspersed with singing of the doxology and closed with praying in one voice the Lord's prayer.

\***Financial Report:** Mr. Joe Foster, LHUMC Treasurer, received unanimous approval from the Leadership Team to transfer $50,000.00 from reserves held in the Endowment Investment Fund account through theMid Atlantic United Methodist Foundation to cover operating expenses normally funded from our offering income. LHUMC is currently operating in 2021 with an income deficit of $75,230.00 as of July 31, 2021.

\*\*The Leadership Team agreed to further review the LHUMC Special Funds Policy to ensure that proper processes are delineated and agreed upon to achieve the policy goal of providing a source of funding for unplanned needs at LHUMC.

\***Worship Team Update**: Dave Chizmadia, Chair of the Worship Team, is preparing a census to collect data from all in our faith community regarding their worship schedule availability.

**\*Nominations Team:** Pastor Michael, Co Chair of Nominations Team submitted the following nominations from our faith community to fill the Nomination Team Openings: Cindy Butz, Diana Mosier, Todd Summers, and Ben Vasconcells.

Pastor Michael also nominated Ms. Terri Weinreich to serve as LHUMC's Financial Secretary.

Following discussion, all of the aforementioned nominations were unanimously approved by the Leadership Team.

\***Introspection Questions**: Pastor Michael requested we continue to consider these questions and he looks forward to engaging in conversations with members of our faith community to include our Leadership Team regarding their responses.

1. How has the pandemic affected and/or changed you? In other words, who is God calling you to be in a post-pandemic world?  
2. How has the pandemic affected and/or changed our faith community? In other words, who is God calling our church to be in a post-pandemic world?

\***Pastor's Comments to Leadership Team:**

Pastor Michael strongly encouraged the Leadership Team to continue to strive for unity within the team so that we may better work together for the good of all at LHUMC.

\***Our Next meeting** is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on September 14, 2021 in the sanctuary. This meeting is open to all in our faith community.