

The Common Table for Church Vitality

The Virginia Annual Conference

The mission of the Virginia Conference is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world by equipping its local churches for ministry and by providing a connection for ministry beyond the local church; all to the glory of God.

June 10, 2020

The Common Table met on June 10, 2020 by Zoom video conference. Members taking part in the meeting were:

Bishop Sharma D. Lewis (Bishop)

Rev. Ted Smith (Director of Connectional Ministries and Chair)

Mr. Warren Harper (Conference Lay Leader)

Rev. Kathleen Overby Webster (Cabinet Representative)

Mr. David Domnisse (Conference Treasurer)

Rev. Lyle Morton (Commission on Ethnic Minority Concerns and
Advocacy Representative)

Ms. Unsil Choi (2020)

Rev. Jonathan Page (2020)

Dr. Carlos Liceaga (2021)

Rev. Harold White (2021)

Rev. Ashley Isernhagen (2022)

Ms. Susie Wolf (2022)

Rev. Megan Saucier (2023)

Ms. Kimberly Young (2023)

Rev. Susan Reaves (Annual Conference Secretary, without vote)

Also present were Ms. Bev Myers, Executive Assistant in the office of Director of Connectional Ministries, District Superintendent Steven Summers incoming Cabinet Representative, Ms. Shirley Cauffman, Chair of the Personnel Committee and Rev. Don Jamison, incoming member of the Common Table. Not present was Mr. John Dunning.

Chairperson Ted Smith opened the meeting at 1:06 pm with a word of welcome. Rev. Megan Saucier led the group in prayer.

Rev. Jonathan Page led the group in an examination of Patrick Lencioni's book, *The Advantage*.

It was agreed that as the Common Table members study the book, and Zoom sessions will be recorded for members who cannot be present. Consequently, these sessions will be executive sessions and the discussions will be confidential. If someone would like to have the recording paused temporarily, it will be paused. If someone watching the recording has questions about what transpired during the pause, he or she can contact the person who requested the pause for more information.

Rev. Page asked members of the group to pray for one another. Ms. Susie Wolf led a closing prayer. The next meeting will be June 24, 2020 at 1 pm and everyone should have read Discipline Two of the book and think about the application of the critical questions in Discipline Two. The Bishop dismissed the meeting at 2:26.