Women's Ministry Annual Report- 2021

As I reflect on another year of unprecedented times and challenges, I am reminded of Psalm 46:1-3 "God is our refuge and strength, an **ever-present help in trouble**. Therefore **we will not fear**, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging." Thank you to everyone for faithfully joining with us to minister to women in 2021! Within both our ministry team and church body, we experienced God's presence as an ever-present help through the last year.

Below is a summary of Women's Ministry events & activities from 2021:

The Blessing of the Children looked a little different in 2021. During this time we were holding two services each Sunday morning. Jodi Hokenson shared a message on "Life Speak" and there was prayer available after both services.

In May, Women's Ministry held an event titled "Find a Friend" in which women were encouraged to pray and ask God to reveal the name of a friend they could reach out to. They could bless their friend in any way they felt led (cards, letters, texts, calls, gifts and prayer). It was an important reminder to be led by the Holy Spirit and to stay connected to others.

On Mother's Day, Jodi Hokenson shared a Sunday morning message "for mothers and everyone who has ever had a mother".

In August, the Women's Ministry held our annual event "Under the Pavilion" at PCF. Kathy Wypij, Erin Brotka, and Jess Wypij shared on the topic of grief and loss, posing the question "Grief is about loss- what have you lost? This event also included a picnic-style dinner and a time of prayer and encouragement.

In December 2021, Women's Ministry held the third annual Women's Christmas Brunch at PCF. We were blessed to have the brunch catered by Diane Carder with the help of her granddaughters Emory and Brystol Carder. Ladies were encouraged with a message by Jodi Siedler, who shared a personal testimony and message on "Advent- The Waiting and Coming".

These events would not be possible without the support of so many talented, generous, and Christ-filled women. Thank you to everyone who attended events, who helped set up for or clean up after events, and who prayed for any of our events in 2021. Thank you to Jodi Hokenson, Kathy Wypij and Val Prutsman for serving as leaders with me on the Women's Ministry team.

Respectfully submitted,

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