AMP Weekend Summary Report Laurentian Wesleyan March 1-3, 2019

Strengths

- 1. Deep appreciation for the Pastor's ministry
- 2. Warm, inviting fellowship on Sunday morning
- 3. A strong sense of community and connectedness; caring for one another
- 4. Excellent biblical teaching and music
- 5. Desire to see the church grow and thrive; all generations; new young families

Concerns

- 1. Unclarity of mission focus; survival mode vs. missional mode
- 2. Building issues; function and appearance
- 3. Aging congregation with a limited amount of energy
- 4. Discouragement over loss of members & inability to hold new young families
- 5. Need for greater front line community engagement for outreach and evangelism

Recommendations

- 1. Prayerfully develop a clear action plan to accomplish your mission ...to invite people into a fully devoted, life-giving relationship with Jesus and courage to take next steps to move forward. To be completed for May 2019 (and/or annual meeting).
- Assess your immediate community to discover opportunities for connection and service. To be completed by April 30, 2019
- 3. Continue to develop your physical space for the kind of growth you want to see, by decluttering and visually making clear what you are about. (Declutter by April 30, 2019; visual clarification by October 31, 2019)
- 4. Have the pastor and leadership team read and process *Church Growth Flywheel* by Rich Birch and encourage the congregation to read *Organic Outreach For Churches* by Kevin Harney in order to help spark ideas for practical and doable outreach right where you are. (July 31, 2019)
- 5. As part of #1 above, revisit the Accessibility project to discover if it is the most effective means of accomplishing your mission, or if an alternative solution might emerge. To be completed for May 2019 (and/or annual meeting).