Worship Committee Minutes
Williamsburg UMC
January 21, 2020

In attendance: Bill Jones, Lou-Anne Smith, Terri Morgan, Debbie Bruss, Jennifer Phinney, and Bettie Morris.

Opening Prayer - Terri Morgan

Work Area Reports:

Acolytes
Terri Morgan from Wil Colton, if he sends out an email he gets two months worth of signs ups for the second service. The early service is harder to fill. Keith Potter will be his assistant head usher at late services and may help with this role.

Communion Prep
Bettie Morris/Terri Morgan  Upon the imminent retirement of Carolyn, Betty and Donna, Pastor Meghan would like to recognize them for their many years of service. We will be training new helpers. Mark, Jenny and Megan Phinney will train in February. Joy Mair and Nancy Mohn are expected to train in March. Kim Johnson will train to clean up after service, in support of Mary Jo and Dick Bennett.

Communion Stewards
Terri Morgan: stewards are booked through April.

Lectors
Terri Morgan: Sends an email if she is short asking for folks to check the sign-up sheet and fill the open slots, much as Wil Colton does for acolytes and tellers. This works well.

Sanctuary Prep
Terri Morgan: Barbara Feagin resigned from this committee, but has now joined the Sanctuary Prep team.

Music
Lou-Anne Smith: everything looks great, working toward Ash Wednesday and Maundy Thursday. We will have special music for Scout Sunday.

Pastor's Remarks:

Bill Jones:
Communications Committee is working on synching the audio and video. The timing is still off, which is why we have not yet gone “live”. Mike Johnson is working on it. The recorded video
works better after it is uploaded but it is not yet perfected. The Madsens have joined the video team. Jimmy has joined the communications committee, as has Kathy Harper.

The shades in the sanctuary are not being adjusted when it is too sunny. Books and upholstery are fading, due to the sun shining on them. We need to ask Divine Janitorial to check on them on Monday morning to be sure the shades are down to prevent sun damage.

Church council retreat is this Sunday 9-2 at Wesley Foundation. Debbie Bruss and Terri Morgan are attending.

Financials:

2020 Worship Budget is $1500, of which we have spent $0

Memorial Fund stands at $29,085

2019 conclusion: $444 was left unspent from 2019 budget, we spent $189 for greenery and last minute $100 for Christmas Eve candles.

Old Business:

Scout Sunday:
Will have lively music! After the second service there will be a pancake brunch given by Cub Scout pack 103 to the members.

Laity Sunday? February is 16th
Lay Leaders Anne Hardister and Virginia Morgan are planning the service. Warren Harper will preach.

Holiday Decorations:
Kathy, Debbie, Barbara and teams, the decorations were wonderful. There were some new helpers. It was of great assistance to have Mary Rogers Hill work with red poinsettias.

Barbara Feagan asked Debbie Bruss to take over the decorating. We will need to budget for the exterior transom fruit decoration.

The service of Hope and Light was in the Atrium. It was beautiful with stars and dark blue banners. Prayer shawls and prayer crosses were offered to the attendees.

Candle cups assembly, breakdown, baskets: assembly was done by Terri Morgan, Jenny and Megan Phinney. Terri Morgan broke them down herself.

Candle cup distribution Christmas Eve
It worked well to have the ushers hand out the candles after communion at the 7 pm service. We had more ushers at 7pm. It did not work as well at 9 pm because of difficulty w/ change and fewer hands to help.

**New Business:**

Lent, Lenten challenge: Pastor Bill suggests for each week a green challenge

Ash Wednesday: Communion servers are not needed

Maundy Thursday will be at 7 PM

April 19th is the 50th Anniversary of Earth Day Sunday

On Palm Sunday the black drape rises; it will be in place before then

Easter: Debbie Bruss in charge. We will be planning out at the early March meeting.

The Marketing Manager position has been eliminated. **To send requests and stories:**

- Enotes go to Cindy Banek
- Messenger goes to Lianne
- Bulletin goes to Nancy
- Facebook page goes to Meghan Roth-Clayton

**Reschedule of February meeting**

- No February 18th meeting, No March 17 meeting
- We will combine the meetings for March 3 at 5:30

**Closing Prayer:** Pastor Bill Jones

**Next meeting** March 3 5:30 pm