

## **Williamsburg UMC Worship Committee Minutes August 21, 2018**

The meeting opened with prayer for a new season

In attendance: Donna Herman, Meghan Roth Clayton, Debbie Bruss, Barbara Feagin, Lou-Anne Smith, Jennifer Phinney, Kathy Shield, Gwen Hamrick, Bill Jones, and Terri Morgan

Acolytes - Andy

Communion Prep - Betty

Communion Stewards - Gwen

Lectors - Terri

Sanctuary Prep - Candle replacement, Terri

- We are still looking for the correct size candle

Music - Lou-Anne

- Messiah soloists are signed on
- Donna is recruiting new Handel's Helpers
- Messiah concert will be November 30
- Our handbells have been refurbished

### **Pastor's Remarks:**

#### **Bill Jones:**

Communications Committee met last night for several hours. Projects include a hard-wired video camera in the balcony will live feed our worship services to comfortable space in the atrium. Eventually we hope to feed worship services to the church's Facebook page.

Cox is upgrading our Wi-Fi throughout the property.

On January 17, Williamsburg will host the 2019 SE Jurisdiction. WUMC will provide dinner and a Messy Church experience.

George White has provided invaluable Trustee leadership.

- He is meeting with the president of Cox-Powell to correct the ongoing AC issue.
- There is still the lingering need for the diffusers in the sanctuary ceiling to be cleaned and insulated. This has been planned for March 2019 during Lent. We will be out of the sanctuary for a week or two at that time.
- A designer has been contracted to refurbish the atrium and entryway. Bill has requested that this be accomplished before the SE Jurisdiction meets here in January.
- The Fellowship Hall is very bland, somewhat by design. We discussed ways to make the walls more inviting, without damaging the surfaces. One suggestion is banners which can be changed out seasonally. Kathy noted that Trinity UMC had a banner brigade that designed and made their own. They would be willing to share the process with us. Further discussion included ways to acquire or make banners, and ways to hang them.

## **Meghan Clayton**

September 30 worship will highlight Stephen Ministry.

That evening there will also be a church-wide baby shower for the Glascotts from 6:00-7:30 PM.

Following discussion of the return to our fall routines, Kathy recommended that we let new and returning young families know that we are here to support them as the school year begins.

### **Old Business:**

Gwen and Terri hosted a Crossroads table to sign up lectors and servers, which helped some. On September 9 there will be a special welcome for Wesley students. Bill suggested asking them to help serve. Terri suggested passing a sign-up sheet around SS classes and other groups Gwen visits.

### **Hymnal replacement:**

- A second set of 25 hymnals has been ordered and received.
- Nancy Reynolds and Terri are acquiring cross-and-flame bookplates which are similar to the ones formerly used. There are "in memory" and "in honor" versions. We will acquire both.

### **Financials**

Our budget of \$1800 is largely intact. Although we have spent \$1344, \$1250 of that will likely be recouped through hymnal memorials. Some future expenses for this year:

- Wall sconces: Barbara noted that Bruton's have been hard-wired, with which they are very pleased. They have the same sconces we have. We need currently twelve \$30 battery operated candles.
- \$50 gift to KelRae for Thanksgiving cornucopia
- Christmas outdoor greenery: six live wreaths

Peggy Hook and granddaughter will help with Christmas Eve candle cleaning in September.

### **New Business:**

#### **Upcoming special Sundays:**

- October 7: World Communion Sunday
  - Breads from around the world will be served.
- October 21: Youth Sunday
  - We will ascribe "youth" for lectors that day. We will get more information from Andy next month.
- November 11: Veterans Day
  - Jennifer has already scheduled ordering red flowers for veterans. They will be handed out by the Boy Scouts

#### **Five Talent Academy Tuesday, October 30 is Influence: Worship 2018**

The academy will be live streamed from Floris UMC to ten churches, including WUMC. All committee members are welcome and encouraged to attend. The cost of the academy (and lunch) will be paid by WUMC. Call Cindy Banek to sign up.

The meeting closed with prayer at 6:55.

Next meeting: Tuesday, September 18