

Living Word Lutheran Church
Christian Education Committee Meeting
November 13, 2012

Present: Pastor Kluver, Kay Elvehjem, Jan Ferguson, Gayle Nemmers, Jeff Rach, and Kristi Anderson. Absent: Tonia Hagedon and Julie Savoie.

The meeting was opened with devotions by Kay.

The minutes were reviewed from the last meeting. A correction is needed for the spelling of confirmation student Darren Griesert's first name. The correct spelling is Darren not Darrin as indicated in last month's minutes. With this correction, the minutes were approved from the last meeting.

Jan reviewed current expenses/bills:

Adult Bible Study – Food/Paper Products - \$242.62 total (Eldens \$112.50 and Pete's \$130.12)

Confirmation – cake and flower from Eldens - \$25.49

Sunday School – Christmas program costumes and gifts from Oriental Trading- \$184.24

Adult Bible Study

The Monday night book study finished on October 29, 2012. The attendance was slightly less than the Monday night bible study held in Spring 2012. Most of the evaluations submitted by attendees were positive.

Catechism/Confirmation/First Communion

Pastor Kluver reported that he is thinking of offering the Catechism class every other year so the class size is larger, and because most of the students took the class last year. The Bible Basics class has been helpful to the students that are now in Confirmation.

The Confirmation retreat will be held on November 16 and 17, 2012 at Mt. Carmel. There are 13 students and 5 adults registered for the retreat.

There are three students in the First Communion class.

Sunday School

The Christmas Program will be December 16, 2012. The title is "A Conversation With the Stars." The students are working on gifts to hand out at the program.

Other Discussion

Kay Elvehjem and Gayle Nemmers will be going off the committee in January. We need to find two new members to serve on the committee for a three year term.

We talked about changing the committee meeting night to the third Thursday of the month at 6:30 P.M. We will make a decision at the December meeting.

We reviewed our goals for 2013 and revised them as follows:

Goals for 2013

1. Add one new bible study opportunity for adults.
2. Reach out in one new way to increase the number of Living Word Lutheran Church members involved with Vacation Bible School.
3. Increase resource materials for Christian education.
4. Plan and implement an adult retreat.

We reviewed the Christian Education Policies and Duties. We will suggest to the Council to add the Youth and Family Ministry to the Christian Education Policy Statement – Child Protection Policy and Procedures.

The next meeting will be held on December 11, 2012 at 6:30 P.M. Gayle will give devotions.

We closed the meeting with the Lord's Prayer.

Kristi Anderson, Secretary