

## WORSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 8, 2011

Attending: Cindy Lerohl, Gayle Nemmers, Carl Steuck, Doyle Polson, Nancy Anderson. Absent: Carla Beem, Paulette Johnson, Brenda Haglin, Pastor AJ.

1. Discussed ReClaim Hymnal feedback (see attached summary). After much discussion, our proposal to the Council is as follows:
  - Not proceed with hymnal at this time but to start a fund for hymnal purchases (including possible memorial monies).
  - Wait until we are much closer to moving into the building to purchase hymnals.The trial version of the hymnal is still not available on-line – they hope to have it available January, 2012. We also discussed need for additional small ReClaim hymnals for Sunday mornings. We will include in our budget for 2012.
2. Discussed goals for 2012:
  - a. Work on getting youth more involved in services
  - b. Have lay people involved in special services (i.e. chanting/liturgy) – 4 times/year
  - c. Have Praise Band/Sunday School children sing – once/month for each
  - d. Worship opportunity(ies) at new building site
  - e. Long range goal: Get the wheels off the altar (i.e., get into our new church building)
3. Discussed budget. More detail on that coming soon. One item mentioned was dollars for the storage unit that we have on the east side of Alexandria – will need to be budgeted for (not a worship committee item, but a general expenditure). Cost is \$70/month. Last year one of our members paid for a whole year of space rental. Starting October 1<sup>st</sup>, we will need to pay either monthly (or can pay \$840 for the whole year).
4. Altar committee report: Total spent to date: \$317.99. Still short on members to help with altar needs – hoping to expand membership. Suggestion was to cut 3 of the 4 loaves of communion bread to make it easier for the communion assistants. One loaf would be left whole to break in the blessing. Gayle to discuss with Pastor AJ.
5. Usher report. We're putting out approximately 200 chairs at this point every Sunday. Everything is going smoothly.
6. We also discussed need for having music line printed in bulletin on Praise Band music so that more congregation members can sing along with the music.
7. Pipe organ offer. Wayne and Karen Becker offered Living Word their 1936 Wicks Mortuary Pipe Organ free – no strings attached (see attached sheet). It would be a good fit in the multi-purpose building but too small for a sanctuary. Several of us went to see (and play) the pipe organ: Gayle Nemmers, Brenda Haglin, Nancy & Dave Anderson. After much discussion, the vote was to accept it, contingent on finding a storage place for it until we're in the new building. We will find a place to store it!

Next worship committee meeting: October 13, 2011 – 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Anderson, Chair