

WORSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – 11/9/17

Present: Pastor AJ, Carolyn Moeller, Gayle Nemmers, Nancy Anderson. Absent: Steve Ferguson, Jim Nelson, Gregg Stoen, Bruce Wymore, Carla Beem.

Pastor AJ opened with prayer.

Carolyn Moeller chaired the meeting in Steve Ferguson's absence.

Minutes: Approved as written. One addition: 10/12/17 meeting minutes I forgot to include the brochure from "Handbells in Harmony"we had talked about using them in 2018 (from St. Cloud) to enhance one of our services or special service and include the community. Would be an opportunity to work with the Evangelism Committee on this. This opportunity was listed as a possibility under our 2018 goals. Brochure attached with these meeting minutes.

Financial report: None.

Music Guild:

- Carolyn contacted Concordia regarding MN All State Lutheran choir expressing our interest in having them at Living Word. Dates are June 17-22, 2018 and they will be in Alexandria area toward the beginning of their tour. They will keep in touch with Carolyn regarding updates.
- Living Word choir will be singing for congregational Christmas dinner.
- Women's choir – continuing to work on rehearsal time – will hopefully sing for Christmas Eve.
- Advent call to worship song chosen is called "Emmanuel."
- Nancy to contact piano tuner for normal tuning.

Altar guild: New banner used for Confirmation. Everyone at worship committee meeting was very impressed with the banner! Good job, Gayle! Gayle has purchased both Christmas Eve candles and Advent wreath candles.

Ushers report: None.

Pastor's report:

- Sola Publishing has new material written by Paul Koch that Pastor is planning on purchasing and hopefully use.
- Brad Forbrook worked up several options for chair set-up for outside worship area for future use....has some great ideas for safety and using the space we have.
- Pastor will have youth and confirmation kids help with Christmas Program 2nd Sunday in December (includes Praise Band).
- Confirmation Sunday great turnout with 120 people.
- Upcoming: youth (and adults) Christmas caroling at Knute Nelson Dec. 20, 2017, 6-7:30 p.m.

Old business: Veterans display will be put up by Dave & Nancy Anderson for Sunday, 11/12/17.

New business:

- Thanksgiving Eve service – no special music planned.
- Christmas Eve - service will be 9:00 a.m. service as agreed last meeting and will include most of what we would normally have for Christmas Eve service. Will have 2 choirs (women's and regular adult choir) sing; will use candles for congregation per normal even though it'll be in morning; Carolyn will contact Chelsea Lee regarding singing "Christmas Hallelujah" and "O Holy Night".

Other business: None.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, December 14, 2017, 8:30 a.m.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Anderson, Secretary

Attachment: "Handbells in Harmony" from St. Cloud