

Worship Committee **March 12, 2015**

Members Present: Dan Haglin, Steve Ferguson, Jim Nelson, DiAnn Zimmerman, Pastor AJ Kluver, Laurie Kluver (Altar Guild), Nancy Anderson (Music Guild), Doyle Polson (Ushers)

Members Absent: Connie Berghuis, Louie Seesz

The meeting began with Jim Nelson leading us in prayer.

Praise Band binders: A couple of copies have been made for Praise Band members to review. They would like to have the binders ready for the second Sunday in April. The binders will be handed out on Praise Band Sundays and then collected. Steve Ferguson made a motion to purchase and prepare 100 binders and seconded by DiAnn Zimmerman. Motion passed.

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Attendance is down from last year's Lenten services. Attendance should be encouraged. The spirit and enthusiasm of the youth who are helping with the service was noted.

Palm Sunday – Palms will be ordered from Anderson Floral. Larger palms are used for the two gold vases and smaller palms for distributing to the congregation. There will be a processional with readings and singing.

Maundy Thursday – The foot washing will be continued with 2-3 young people. The center two platforms will be used. The first communion class will be making the bread for communion.

Nancy Anderson will be singing a solo. Four people will be designated to strip the altar.

Good Friday – The service will be held at 7 PM. The Chordsmen are singing and Dan Haglin will sing the first three verses of *Were You There?* and Dave Anderson may play a muted trombone at the close of the service.

Prayer Vigil – A Prayer Vigil will be on Saturday from 6 AM to 6 PM. A sign up sheet will be available with 30-minute intervals. Guides for meditation and prayer will be available.

The altar will be set up for Easter Sunday after 6 PM.

Easter Sunday – Pastor Kluver and an acolyte will proceed first followed by Dan Haglin singing the last verse of *Were You There?* and then the bell will be sounded. There will be no prelude music. The choir will sing with Dave Anderson on trombone and Victoria Baas on trumpet.

Announcements will be made later in the service.

Members of the congregation will be asked to bring in Easter lilies for the altar and they will be arranged before the service. A message will be in the bulletin this upcoming Sunday.

Regarding Music For Living Word Worship Services

The following were comments made about this project:

- Discussion will begin with decisions postponed until later.
- It would be preferred to have input from more than just the Worship Committee members especially those involved in music.
- Many members recall that they were not aware of any “filtering” of the music that was used in other congregations.
- Some opinions may not be considered as Lutheran doctrine.
- This process should be seen as an opportunity to set guidelines and explain Lutheran doctrine. Grace Alone; Faith Alone; Scripture Alone.
- Education will be needed on all sides of this issue.
- We need to go about it with a Christian attitude with respect for all and not to be contentious.
- We need this to be a unifying process and not one that divides our congregation.
- The process will begin with general guideline and examples and common ground.
- Our Mission Statement should be used as a basis of our worship services. What does LWLC stand for?
- It would be our hope that this process will generate excitement and an opportunity for individual growth.

National Day of Prayer – Saturday, May 7th. Jim Nelson reported. The next planning meeting will be on Monday, March 16th at 11:30 AM at New Life Church. On May 7th, the day will begin with a breakfast at Broadway Ballroom. There will be a service at LWLC at 7 PM. Seven stations will be used as last year. Information will be put into the bulletin closer to the date.

Music Guild: No further report.

Altar Guild: No purchases have been made this month. Laurie suggested that there would be an article in the bulletin that would ask for volunteers to assist with the duties of the Altar Guild.

Usher Report: Things seem to be going smoothly. The youth are doing well when assisting with the Lenten services and taking it seriously. Doyle suggested that we use the youth to usher more often if interested.

Greeters: Remind greeters to have new people fill out the guest book. We should continue to be a welcoming congregation.

Next meeting: April 9 at 6:30 PM.