

WORSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUES – 1/12/17

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

Pastor AJ opened with prayer.

Minutes: Approved as written.

Financial: In summary, everything came in under budget.

Music Guild: Choir will restart the end of January or beginning of February. Discussed using the Ylvisaker music for Psalms – some are difficult to sing and congregation participation is at a minimum. Suggestions: Pastor will review music and only chose easier to sing Psalms; could also have choir practice them before service that they are used. Have received several pages of “favorite hymns” on the request list. Will use some of these as they fit into the services; will also use for the hymn sing on January 29th (15 minutes before service).

Altar Guild: Gayle purchased 2 boxes gluten free wafers @ \$12.99/box for a total of \$25.98. Total purchases for 2016: Communion supplies was \$319.63 and worship supplies was \$97.58.

Usher’s report: Everything going smoothly. Bell tower door has been frozen shut – not the lock. So for several Sundays we haven’t been able to use the bell. Jim is going to use one additional offering plate just for the far south section of the seating.

Pastor’s report: On Praise Band Sundays, the confirmation kids will be involved in helping in some way during the service. In January, Jeremiah Denke helped with the offering.

Old business: Reviewed Christmas services which all went well. Great turn-out despite extra service and weather. Need to think about 2017 Christmas Eve service since it will fall on a Sunday – maybe not have a 9:00 a.m. service but just the 4:00 – and then include candles, lessons, communion and a sermon. Another suggestion was to use the 9:00 a.m. time for singing Christmas carols. There will be no Christmas Day service (Monday) for 2017. Will put this on the back burner and think about it.

New business: Committee members whose terms are ending are Jim Nelson and Nancy Anderson; however, both have agreed to continue for one additional year. There are two others that would be interested in joining the worship committee – will keep them in mind if needed. Pastor is looking at Lenten services and will be ordering soon the material for theme/Wednesday evening sermons from Luther House of Studies.

Next meeting: Thursday, February 9, 2017, 8:45 a.m.

We closed with the Lord’s Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Anderson