

WORSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – 9/14/16

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

Minutes: From 8/10/16 approved as written.

Financial report: Worship supplies (\$714.48 out of \$800); communion supplies (\$189.22 out of \$424.00 – see Gayle's comments in Altar Guild report following); musicians (\$2150 out of \$3700); choir music (\$163.68 out of \$400); piano/organ maintenance (\$150 out of \$300); licenses (\$592 out of \$600); Praise Band (\$0 out of \$200).

Music Guild: Choir is scheduled thru December; women's choir will sing in October and also Christmas Eve. One suggestion was to use more hymns that we haven't sung in our hymnal – also sing the Lord's Prayer (in place of saying it) once in a while. Another suggestion was to have a hymn sing maybe on the 5th Sunday of the month before service (i.e. 8:50 a.m.) Organ issue – John Kirckoff will discuss more with Wayne Becker because it's not working to lead the congregational singing. John thinks it may be the relay. Until it is figured out, it will be used just for preludes/postludes.

Altar Guild: Gayle is wondering if maybe some of the receipts have been put in the wrong category as financial report shows \$189.22 spent. Gayle said this is not right as according to her records, she has spent \$293.65 (includes purchase of a case of wine in August for \$50.94); She will check it out. Regarding the green banner stand, Chuck is not able to make a new stand; she will check with Doyle and see if he could or has any ideas. To purchase one would be \$135 (needs to be 118 inches as the banner is 109 inches).

Ushers: Everything flowing very well, good average weekly attendance.

Pastor's report: Wednesday summer service was consistent in attendance so would like to repeat same next year (on Wednesday nights at 7 p.m.). Will be nice to have our choir sing again on Sundays on a regular basis. Pastor suggested that we all take a look at the website: lutherhouseofstudy.org – this was created by the Lutheran Theological Institute in Sioux Falls, SD and is a wonderful resource of 2-3 minute videos on the commandments, catechism, studies and study guide. Pastor AJ is going to use some of the videos for teaching confirmation to our youth – he showed us part of one video and we were able to take a quick look at the site and material offered.

Old Business:

- TV's. Discussed items brought up at last meeting. The advantages of using the TV's are to provide opportunities and welcome for visitors and those not familiar with our service; also provides an alternative for people for worship. The monies for the TV's were donated a number of years ago and was approved by the Memorial Committee and then the Council approved it. TV's were also used last summer for Wednesday night services. Was used for VBS and will be used for the Reformation celebration. Could possibly put up the announcements on the screen and scroll thru before worship starts. Don't have to use for entire service. Part of it also is the younger generation likes new technology. Has one volunteer to help put up on Power Point – will be easier once a template is made.
- 500th Reformation Celebration. Kick-off will be 10/30/16 from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. (Johan & Katie Hinderlie skit at 3:00 and coffee/cookies from 4-5 p.m.). February 12, 2017 will offer a 90 minute movie on the Reformation at 3:00 p.m. April 13, 2017 will be a hymn sing. October 29, 2017 will be the commemorative celebration.

New business:

- Stewardship Fair 9/25/16. Worship Committee will have a table to display before and after service similar to last year (info on choir, altar committee, etc.). Gregg Stoen will head this up. Need to add power point needs to time and talents worksheet.
- 2017 goals are due Oct. 17, 2016 to Council. We discussed goals and following are first draft of goals for (we will discuss/refine at next meeting 10/12/16).
 - o Summer worship – continue annually and keep on Wednesday nights at 7 p.m.; additional advertising.
 - o AV use in church and integration in worship
 - o Additional worship opportunities
- 2017 budget due 11/7/16 to Council. Will discuss at next worship committee meeting. Nancy to bring copies of 2016 budget sheets to help us in planning 2017 budget.
- Veteran's Day Display – we decided to set up display on Nov. 5th and tear down after church on Nov. 6th (because of wedding 11/11/16 and also will make people more aware of Veteran's Day coming up). Nancy to coordinate display table and request veterans' memorabilia and items for display.

Next meeting: Wednesday, October 12, 2016, 10:00 a.m.

Closed with Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Anderson, Secretary