

WORSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES - 2/11/16

Present: Jim Nelson, Steve Ferguson, Carolyn Moeller, Gayle Nemmers, Pastor AJ, Gregg Stoen, Karen

Kirckof (visitor), Nancy Anderson. Absent: Bruce Wymore

Jim Nelson called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Pastor AJ opened with prayer.

Reviewed meeting minutes from 1/7/16 meeting. Approved as written.

Treasurer's report: No expenses to date for worship committee.

Music Guild: Choir scheduled thru April (sings 2x/month). No special music scheduled for 2/28/16. Discussed hymn of the month for Lent. Carolyn and Nancy had some suggestions and will meet with Pastor AJ to discuss further (see attached email).

Karen Kirckof wanted to know if there was any interest on the part of the Worship Committee to think about handbells. She found a 3 octave set in England for sale. Had other suggestions, i.e. renting bells/equipment for 3 months before we would invest in anything. Would be good to have both youth and adults in same handbell choir). Worship Committee members are interested in learning more about the handbell opportunities. Will also poll the congregation because forming a handbell choir takes commitment. Karen will explore opportunities further and report at our next meeting. Thank you, Karen, for bringing this opportunity to our Worship Committee.

Altar Guild: Suggestion that we have one communion station instead of two (less waste of wine and less people to do altar prep). After discussion, Worship Committee felt it would be same amount of wine and same amount of people to do altar prep. Committee felt one station would also take longer to serve communion (would need 2nd hymn during communion). Two stations keep things flowing well. Committee recommended staying with 2 stations.

Pastor's report: Reviewed his Lenten service plan – each week will be a different aspect of the passion of Christ with the liturgy the same. Committee like the plan. Also talked about standing for Gospel lesson. Committee approved.

Usher's report: Single communion station for Ash Wednesday didn't flow as well as 2 stations – will go back to 2 stations from now on. Youth involved in Lenten service did a fabulous job. Nice to have their assistance.

Discussed Easter plans: Will have lemonade and coffee, order 150 small rolls (Jim Nelson will look into rolls options); Pastor AJ and Laurie will provide eggs. Nancy will check on cost of palms (Palm Sunday -large ones for altar and small ones for congregation). Music for Easter – Dave Anderson to play trombone; Nancy will check with Victoria Baas about playing trumpet again for us.

Summer services on schedule for June 8 thru August 31 (Wednesday evenings, 7:00 p.m.)

Next meeting: March 3, 1:00 p.m. (need to meet before Pastor goes on vacation).

Agenda:

- Treasurer's report
- Music Guild report
- Altar Guild report
- Pastor's report
- Update on Palm Sunday/Holy week/Easter services
- Identify committee members and who has 1, 2 or 3 years to serve on committee
- Any other business

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Anderson, Secretary